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"MORE THAN FLESH AND BLOOD CAN BEAR."



While the Judges by the Latchkey Decision have excluded about a hundred thousand men from the franchise, Mr. McKenna, by his opposition to the Conciliation Bill, is excluding a million women.

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To the brave women who to-day are fighting for freedom; to the noble women who all down the ages kept the flag flying and looked forward to this day without seeing it; to all women all over the world, of whatever race, or creed, or calling, whether they be with us or against us in this fight, we dedicate this paper.

## THE OUTLOOK.

With this number, VOTES FOR WOMEN starts upon the fifth year of its existence—a year which every Suffragist hopes will include the crowning of victory. To the work of the year we look forward with confident assurance that our good friends who have stood by us so well in the past will continue their support, and that to their number will be added many others who, even in this short time, will join the ranks of the fighters.

before the battle is over. Meanwhile another volume of VOTES FOR WOMEN will shortly be ready to take its place beside the three already standing on our shelves.

### Arrest of a Member of the W.S.P.U.

In our last issue we published copies of the correspondence between Miss Clemence Housman and the Inland Revenue Department relating to her refusal to pay her taxes until such time as women are enfranchised, and we stated that her arrest was imminent. On Friday morning the blow fell; she was arrested and conveyed to Holloway Prison, where she is still in detention. As a debtor, she is entitled to first class treatment, including the right to retain her own clothing; on the other hand, the law sets no term to the period of her incarceration.

### Why is Miss Clemence Housman in Prison?

The principle for which Miss Housman is contending is not new. It is the same old principle for which John Hampden risked his liberty in the seventeenth century, and for which other notable champions of representative government have suffered at different periods of history. But with each new section of the population who are awakened to a sense of their exclusion from citizenship, and who, in consequence, refuse any longer to pay taxes levied without their consent, the problem takes on new forms. The old arguments of opposition are furnished up again; the "divine right of kings" becomes the "divine right of man"; Dame Nature is invoked once more to support the ancient order, which is passing away. But all to no purpose. One gentle

woman such as is Clemence Housman can dispel by her brave act all their sophistries, and demonstrate over again the truth of the saying that government without the consent of the governed is impossible.

### Meetings of Protest.

Suffragists have not been slow to organise vigorous protests against her imprisonment. While her arrest was still pending a meeting, presided over by her brother and addressed by Mrs. Pethick Lawrence and others, was held at Miss Housman's residence; on Saturday a meeting took place outside Holloway Gaol, under the auspices of the Tax Resistance League, at which Mrs. Cobden Sanderson, Mr. Laurence Housman, Mrs. Despard, and Mrs. Kinston Parkes were the principal speakers; two enthusiastic meetings were held on Sunday in Hyde Park, one of them by the Men's Political Union; on Monday the W.S.P.U. converted their inaugural meeting at the London Pavilion into a protest meeting; and arrangements are being made by the W.S.P.U. for organising a great procession from Kingsway to Holloway Prison to take place to-morrow afternoon. Particulars of this demonstration will be found elsewhere (p. 5).

### At the London Pavilion.

There was not a seat to spare in all the various parts of the great London Pavilion when Mrs. Pankhurst opened the first meeting of the autumn campaign on Monday last, and there was no lack of enthusiasm in the audience. In opening the meeting Mrs. Pankhurst said she had come there, in the first place, to bid them



farewell before starting on her tour in the United States of America, and in the second place to call upon them to protest against the treatment of Miss Clemence Housman, who had only done what she herself had done, and would continue to do until women were enfranchised. Great enthusiasm greeted the appearance of Mr. Laurence Housman, who narrated the story of his sister's arrest and imprisonment, and told them that she was happy to be taking her part in the fight for women's liberty. Mrs. Pethick Lawrence sketched out the plans of the W.S.P.U. for the autumn campaign, and Miss Christabel Pankhurst showed how important was the political work which lay before them in the coming year. The resolution protesting against the imprisonment of Miss Housman was carried without a dissentient voice, and a collection of £25 was taken, in addition to £15 specially raised in the audience for the demonstration of Saturday.

#### Mrs. Pankhurst Departs for America.

An important meeting was held on Monday night at Woking, when, with Dr. Ethel Smyth in the chair, Mrs. Pankhurst delivered a speech full of convincing argument to an audience which crowded the hall to overflowing. Great interest was shown by the meeting, and when at the close Lady Sybil Smith sang the "March of the Women" the audience took up the song and repeated it in chorus. On the following Wednesday morning Mrs. Pankhurst left Waterloo Station for Southampton, where she is embarking for a lecturing tour in the United States. The platform was lined with an eager crowd of women anxious to express to her their final good wishes, and as the train steamed out, the engine was seen to be bearing the famous tricolour of the W.S.P.U.

#### Mr. Lloyd George's Tactics.

We commend to the careful consideration of our readers our leading article in this week's issue, written by Miss Christabel Pankhurst, which deals with the attitude of the W.S.P.U. towards the tactics which Mr. Lloyd George proposes to adopt when the Conciliation Bill is introduced. We hope that they will make a point of bringing this article to the notice of Members of Parliament and others of their acquaintance who are engaged in political life.

#### "More than Flesh and Blood can Bear."

Mr. McKenna has been holding forth upon the heinousness of excluding from the franchise a portion of the male population on technical grounds. After stating that 2,000 men would be disfranchised in Newport Burghs and 10,000 in South Monmouthshire owing to the latchkey decision, Mr. McKenna proceeded:—

They now knew that the real determining principle in deciding whether these 12,000 citizens should or should not have a vote was not founded on their capacity to exercise the franchise with care and understanding, nor upon their having a settled home, but simply on the question whether their landlord lived upon the same premises as themselves, or other technical grounds. They were a long-suffering people in bearing the ills they were accustomed to, but when it came to sitting down tamely while 12,000 men were suddenly deprived, on purely technical grounds, of their right to vote in two constituencies alone, it became more than flesh and blood could bear. They must have an amendment of the law in time to secure that these voters should have their rights restored to them before the next election. (Cheers.)

We have been at considerable pains to investigate the effect of the latchkey decision in different parts of the country, and the result is to show that the condition in Monmouthshire is altogether abnormal, and that 100,000 may very likely cover the total number of men disqualified throughout the country. But this exclusion of men from the franchise is, according to Mr. McKenna, more than flesh can bear, and a Government Bill is promised to remedy it. Yet the same Mr. McKenna is an anti-Suffragist member of the Cabinet who has taken his share in blocking the Conciliation Bill, and thereby depriving of the vote a million women, not on account of their incapacity to exercise it, but solely on the ground of sex.

#### The Sorrows of the Anti-Suffragist.

Professor Dicey is evidently very much troubled in his mind about the probable success of the Woman Suffrage movement in the immediate future. In a letter to *The Times* of Tuesday, in deprecation of the Parliament Act, he writes:—

Take the strongest case of all. The demand for woman suffrage may be wise or it may be unwise. Suffragists believe that they have a majority of women in its favour. I greatly doubt whether this is so. I may well, however, be in error. But the rational and temperate advocates of woman suffrage, who make up a large and respectable class both of men and of women, will hardly contend that the electors of the United Kingdom are clearly in favour of giving votes to women. Conduct is the true test of belief. The most moderate of suffragists obviously and passionately desire that a Woman Suffrage Act should be passed by the present Parliament. They cannot brook delay. Why is this? The answer is patent. They in their hearts suspect that the nation, if appealed to at a General Election, would reject any Woman Suffrage Bill. The present Parliament now can, and very possibly will, pass a Woman

Suffrage Act without consulting the electorate. It is idle to count up the number of M.P.'s nominally pledged to the principle of woman suffrage. I refuse to be imposed upon by the political fiction that all these pledged M.P.'s have made up their own minds to sanction the most novel and one of the most hazardous of social and political experiments. The question of admitting women to political power has never been put fairly and squarely before the electors.

Women are certainly not going to consent to a referendum being taken on Woman Suffrage to please Professor Dicey. Why should they? To begin with, they do not recognise the right of a male electorate to exclude women from the franchise any more than the Parliament-makers of British history recognised the right of kings to exclude the freemen (and freewomen) of the country from representative government. If, however, a referendum were part of the British Constitution we should recognise that it would be through that machinery that the vote would be won. As things are it is not so; the Cabinet is the final arbiter of legislation, and as Professor Dicey regretfully admits, the opposition of that body is nearly broken down.

#### Plain Truths.

Equally women have no intention of postponing the settlement of this question until after another General Election. They have waited five-and-forty years, and have no intention of waiting any longer. Nor, if they did so, would they be any nearer solution than they are at present, for the simple reason that the question would not be submitted solely to the electorate any more than it has been at previous elections. Before the last election Mr. Asquith had undertaken that if he was returned to power time would be found in the new Parliament to enable the Woman Suffrage Bill to be effectively dealt with, and *The Times*, an anti-suffrage organ, admitted that this made Woman Suffrage an issue at the election. Our grounds for maintaining, in spite of Professor Dicey, that the majority of the electorate are with us are principally these:—Firstly, our speakers find to-day everywhere support and sympathy and no opposition. Secondly, nearly every prominent Town Council has passed a resolution in support of the Conciliation Bill. Thirdly, while Parliamentary candidates friendly to Woman Suffrage remain firm on the subject at elections, those opposed frequently declare themselves neutral or even vaguely sympathetic; this "hedging" of anti-suffragists is a sign that in their opinion their real views are unpopular.

#### The Woman's Platform in "The Standard."

According to the announcement we were able to make last week, *The Standard* has opened its columns to a new daily feature in the shape of a "Woman's Platform." On the first day, Tuesday, this section consisted of two pages, and included important articles by Lady Selborne and Mrs. Fawcett in favour of woman suffrage, and Lady Jersey in opposition. Lady Laura Ridding wrote on the National Union of Women Workers. In an interesting prefatory note to the columns the editor said:—

It is purely and simply as a newspaper, as a responsible recording organ, that is, of the doings, events, thought, work, and opinion of the day, that *The Standard* presents this addition to its news columns. "Woman's Platform" is designed to advocate no creed, to serve no party, to promulgate no theory. It has nothing to do with party politics. Its whole aim, scope, and purpose are discovered by its title. The reader who discerns other or more particular aims in it will be misled. It represents *The Standard's* recognition, as a newspaper, of certain factors of growing import and magnitude in our national life. If the duty of a responsible newspaper and organ of public opinion is to convey to the public from day to day accurate understanding of the nation's daily life, it clearly is desirable for that newspaper to include in its daily record all available intelligence regarding, not one-half of the community alone, but the whole of it. That is the primary aim of this "Woman's Platform."

This is the line that we have been urging on the Press for some time past, and we think *The Standard* is to be congratulated on being the first to recognise the truth of it.

#### Mrs. Pethick Lawrence and Lord Cromer.

On Wednesday *The Standard* published a special article from the pen of Mrs. Pethick Lawrence, in which she dealt with the fundamentals which underlie the woman's movement. Among these she cited the strong sense of nationality and the consciousness of the need for social reform. Public-spirited women could not, she said, stand aside from the demand that women should be admitted into the house of the nation, and statesmen who possessed insight and imagination would not resist that demand. In the same issue of the paper appeared a contribution from Lord Cromer containing a restatement of many fallacies which have been refuted over and over again in the columns of *VOTES FOR WOMEN*. An astounding new assertion also occurs, namely, the following:—

It is not a mere coincidence that when a strike which obliges mothers to stay at home and look after their children occurs there is a large and immediate reduction in the rate of infant mortality.

No doubt Lord Cromer really believes this, but we challenge him for any facts to support his contention. All the evidence which we have seen tells in the contrary direction, and goes to show that it is not where women work but where they go hungry, and when they have no money to keep the house nice, that the

children suffer. Infant mortality is essentially a woman's question to be guarded against by women; in South Australia since woman suffrage was granted infant mortality has been reduced by nearly 50 per cent., and we believe that women's votes will be instrumental in bringing about a radical reform in the matter in this country.

#### The Ostrich Policy of the Press.

We commend also to the attention of our readers the following extract taken from a leading article of the *Evening Standard* for Tuesday last:—

The human race has always been roughly divided into men and women, but until recently a man could take no account of women, or regard them merely as toys or drudges, and yet pass as a practical, level-headed thinker. He can do so no longer. Women are competing with men in very nearly every event on life's programme, and they are beating them at least as often as they are beaten. We have almost forgotten the frequent catch-phrase of a little while ago—"this is not woman's work," or "that is not fit for women to do." We may hope and dread to our hearts' content, but if we are to take a share in the life of our age we must realise that Woman is no longer a possibility or a danger. She is here.

The steady progress of the incoming tide is plain to any man who purges his mind of hopes and fears, and contents himself, for a moment, with looking. It is so plain that the supercilious attitude of a large portion of the Press and Public has been hard to understand.

We believe this to be a strict statement of fact. The old ostrich policy adopted by the Press can no longer be maintained. We are confident that now that *The Standard* has had the good sense to realise that the woman's point of view is needed in its columns it will gain the effective support of women who will recognise the value of the medium which has been provided.

#### The Referendum in California.

Suffragists in this country watch with very great interest the progress of the movement on the other side of the Atlantic. Last year, it will be remembered, full suffrage rights were extended to women in Washington State. This year it is California which is in the fighting line. A referendum on a suffrage amendment is being taken next Tuesday, and it is expected that the result will be known some time next week. We wish our Californian sisters all success. Meanwhile, news reaches us of an interesting meeting in New York addressed by the Governors of the five suffrage States. Governor Shafroth, of Colorado, spoke of the gallant fight which the women were making in Great Britain. Governor Carey said the vote in the West had not produced any of the social difficulties which opponents had predicted, nor had it been the cause of trouble between husbands and wives. Governor Hay, of Washington, said that not one person in twenty-five thought that woman suffrage would be carried last year in Washington, yet it was actually carried by two to one. A report of the meeting is given on page 11.

#### The Law Society and Women's Legal Status.

One of the papers presented to the annual meeting of the Law Society at Nottingham dealt with the legal status of women. The writer, Mr. J. W. F. Jacques, of Bristol, showed, in particular, the inequality of the law in the treatment of men and women with regard to such matters as the care of children, intestacy, divorce, income-tax, and the Parliamentary franchise. The subject was treated in a very able manner, and it is unfortunate that, owing to shortness of time, the discussion of the paper was not reached by the conference. A great deal of interest has been shown in the article which we printed last week by Mr. Pethick Lawrence answering the question "Is the law unjust to women?" The article will shortly be available in leaflet form.

#### The Pit-Brow Women.

The unwarrantable attempt of the House of Commons to deprive women of the right to earn wages in a remarkably healthy occupation was the occasion of a great meeting of protest, held on Tuesday night in the Albert Hall, Manchester, when speeches were delivered by Mrs. Alfred Haworth, Miss Roper, Miss Gore Booth, the Mayor of Wigan, and by many of the women themselves, and a resolution was passed, urging that the amendment carried in the House of Commons last July in Committee shall be rescinded on the report stage next month. In view of the feeling that has been roused on the subject it now seems likely that this will be done; but it is feared that the indirect method will be adopted of forming "regulations" as to the employment of labour, which may have the effect of causing the substitution of men for women. This has to be carefully guarded against. In the meanwhile, we are glad to see that the resolution last night concluded with a clause demanding the extension of the franchise to women "as the only possible means by which they can adequately defend their right to work and their industrial interests."

#### Items of Interest.

The Congress of Mothers, in California, has pronounced, almost unanimously, in favour of Woman Suffrage.

At a Diocesan Conference of the Episcopal Church of Chicago, women were given the right of voting on ecclesiastical matters.

By a Government decree, women will henceforth be admitted to Universities of Spain on the same terms as men, and will be allowed to exercise any calling to which the University Diploma gives a right.

For the first time in history, it is said, a woman has been appointed to a diplomatic post. She is Miss Clotilde Luisi of Uruguay, a lawyer and a graduate of the University of Uruguay. She will go to Brussels as an attaché of the Uruguayan legation there.



## ALL THE FUN OF THE FAIR.

By Emmeline Pethick Lawrence.

During the past six years the Woman's Movement for political emancipation has gone through many testing fires. Physical violence, intellectual, moral, and political opposition, calumny, ridicule, abuse, fury of the incited mob, persecution of the Government, torture in prison; one by one the tests have been applied, and the movement has survived them all. Not only has the movement survived, but it has grown amazingly month by month in numbers, in strength, in financial resources, in enthusiasm, and in an ever-increasing supply of veteran warriors equipped by experience for all the emergencies of the strenuous warfare.

And now the movement is undergoing the hardest test of all—the test of peace and postponement, the test of a long truce from militant action in return for a definite pledge of facilities next year for the Conciliation Bill. It was easy to march with proud, untiring step to the battle music that was ringing in our hearts; but the shrilling of the pipes and the beating of the drums of militancy have ceased. It is harder to swing along with the merry heart and the gay, unflagging rhythmic stride which kept time with the war tune. But even this ordeal is recognised as a challenge to our faith and our will, which can only be answered by the old laughter of defiance. The test has but consolidated and strengthened the movement; has but proved the mettle of the spirit which animates those who are numbered in the ranks.

The greatest field day we ever had was the wonderful procession of June 17, after seven months of truce, when from all ranks of life came new recruits to the Woman's Army, and our demand was reinforced with all the moral strength that comes from an awakened public sympathy and understanding.

In December we are organising another great reunion, another enterprise which claims our whole-hearted enthusiasm, our utmost endeavour. The Fair and Fête in the Portman Rooms from December 4 to 9 is enlisting the support of helpers and workers who have never before rendered service to the cause, and it promises to draw into the circle of our great and growing fellowship fresh groups of people who will be inspired to play their own part in the future towards the realisation of our common ideal.

Women and men of every profession and calling are coming forward with their special and unique gifts to put them at the disposal of those who are organising the Christmas Fair and Fête. Artists, actors, actresses, musicians, vocalists, writers are carrying out their own schemes in union with the central plan. Voluntary committees have undertaken charge of the theatre and the entertainments, of the sports arrangements, of the large refreshments department, of the costume making; and Miss Sylvia Pankhurst has made herself responsible for a very beautiful and original scheme of architectural decoration. Others are devoting themselves to schemes for advertising and for bringing the Fête to the notice of the purchasing public.

A great opportunity will be ours once more of impressing the outsider with the organising powers of women and with the many-sidedness of this movement, which offers scope to the various and different gifts with which its members are endowed. Propaganda work will be carried on, new members will be enlisted, fresh centres of missionary zeal and effort will be started, and all the magnets which draw adherents to our cause will be brought to bear upon the many visitors who will come out of curiosity or out of the wish to please their friends. For the members of the Union the week will be one of happy festivity, full of the pleasure of social intercourse with one another and the joy of realising the great fellowship which has taken all sense of loneliness out of the most isolated of lives. But in order to reach our record of high achievement, the eight weeks before us must be full of strenuous work and concentrated purpose. This Fair and Fête is the present and immediate concern of every member of the Union. There is not one in all the ranks but can do something to contribute to the result. A more universal opportunity of service is afforded than that which any merely political propaganda can give. Not all can speak, not all can write, not all can sell papers in the street, not all can do the numerous things that bring one before the public, things difficult but necessary to the success of a political campaign. Not all can volunteer for deputations, or for questioning Cabinet Ministers at public meetings, or for the privations and pains of imprisonment. But all can work with their hands.

Art work, handicraft, embroidery and needlework, are but a few examples of the output of women's clever fingers. On page 10 will be found a list of the various stalls. Let each member of the Union and every reader of the paper choose which stall she will assist with her gifts and her work, and communicate with the Stall Secretary or with the General Fête Secretary, Miss Olive Smith, at 4, Clements Inn. There is no time to be lost. Everybody can do something, and all must use to the utmost the opportunity thus afforded of contributing their quota to the common war chest.

There will be plenty of buyers. Let the friends of the Union see to it that there are plenty of goods for sale. Let them remember that the Fête is timed just three weeks before Christmas on purpose that thousands of people may be gladdened with charming gifts made beautiful by harmonious blending of the colours of the Union—purple, white, and green.

"A merry heart goes all the way." The strenuous political campaign which awaits us in the coming year will be carried out all the more vigorously and effectively because everyone has heartily entered into all the work, the fun, and the frolic of the Christmas Fair and Fête.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS.

#### Important Meetings.

During the present month a large number of most important meetings have been arranged in different centres all over the country. Mrs. Pethick Lawrence will speak at Pontypool, on Thursday, October 19; at Newport, on Friday, October 20; at the Synod Hall, Edinburgh, on Tuesday, October 24; at the Foresters' Hall, Dundee, on Thursday, October 26; at the Athenaeum, Glasgow, on October 27. Miss Christabel Pankhurst will address meetings at Victoria Hotel, Nottingham, on Tuesday, October 10; at Winchmore Hill, on Monday, October 16, at 8 p.m.; in the Round Room of the Mansion House, Dublin, on Tuesday, October 17; at the Town Hall, Galway, on Wednesday, October 18; at the Irish Parliamentary branch of the United Irish League, 10, Adelphi Terrace, Strand, W.C., on Friday, October 20, at 8 p.m.; and at Newcastle, on Friday, October 27. Miss Vida Goldstein will speak at the Oak Hall, Princes Street, Edinburgh, on Thursday, October 12, at 3.15 p.m., and in the Assembly Rooms, Haddington, on the same evening at 8 p.m.; at Charing Cross Hall, Glasgow, on Friday, October 13, at 3.15 p.m.; at the Oddfellows' Hall, Kilmarnock, on the same evening at 8 p.m.; at the Victoria Galleries, Leicester, on Monday, October 16; and at Leeds on Tuesday, October 31.

#### Lord Lytton's Meetings.

Lord Lytton has also an extensive programme of meetings arranged for the autumn. Those for this month include a meeting at Handley (Potteries) on October 5; at Scarborough on October 6; at Leicester on October 16; at Ipswich on October 18; at Godalming on October 19; at Berkhamsted on October 24; at Baldock on October 25; at Leighton Buzzard on October 26; and at Leeds on October 31.

#### The Woman's Press, 156, Charing Cross Road, W.C.

Our readers will be interested to know that "Woman Suffrage in Australia," a series of articles by Miss Vida Goldstein, which have recently appeared in *VOTES FOR WOMEN*, will shortly be published in pamphlet form. "Is the English Law Unjust to Women?" an article by Mr. F. W. Pethick Lawrence, which appeared in last week's issue of *VOTES FOR WOMEN*, is also in preparation as a leaflet.

#### At the London Pavilion.

Our readers are reminded that the usual Monday afternoon meetings will be held for the future at the London Pavilion, Piccadilly Circus, at 3 for 3.15 p.m. The London Pavilion is a splendidly central meeting place, and it is therefore hoped that members will make the meetings widely known among their friends and acquaintances, especially those who have never been to a suffrage meeting before. The speakers next Monday afternoon, October 9, will be Mrs. Pethick Lawrence, Miss Christabel Pankhurst, L.L.B., and Lady Constance Lytton. The usual weekly evening meeting will be held at the Steinway Hall, on Thursday, October 12, at 8 p.m., and will be addressed by Mrs. Pethick Lawrence and Mrs. Marshall. *Kindly note that these meetings are held weekly, and admission is free.* Weekly meetings are also held in all other centres where the Union is represented. See pages 12 to 14.

#### Albert Hall Meeting, November 16.

Once again we wish to remind members that they should without delay secure tickets for the Albert Hall meeting on Thursday, November 16, and not only for themselves but also for their friends, since, owing to the conditions under which the Albert Hall is let, no advertising can be done, and the public can only obtain tickets through members. Mr. Ellis Griffith, M.P., Leader of the Welsh Party, will be one of the speakers. It has now been decided to open the Lower Orchestra, and tickets for these seats may be had at 2s. each. Other prices are Stalls, 2s. 6d., Arena, Blocks A and F, 2s. (these have now been sold out), Blocks B, C, D, and E, 1s. Balcony, first two rows, 1s., other rows, 6d., Upper Orchestra, 6d., Boxes, £1 10s. 0d., £1 1s. 0d., and 12s. 6d. Tickets may be had of Miss Cooke, Ticket Secretary, W.S.P.U., 4, Clements Inn, Strand W.C.

For an important announcement of a Procession to-morrow, see page 6.

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# FASHIONS OF THE FAIR.

By E. Sylvia Pankhurst.

As readers of VOTES FOR WOMEN know, the W.S.P.U. Christmas Fair and Fête is to represent an old English village, and the stall-holders and their helpers are to dress in costume in keeping with the idea. The period which we have chosen is just about the end of the eighteenth and the beginning of the nineteenth century. This was an epoch of great change; new ideas of freedom were everywhere in the air. It was the time of the French Revolution; it was the time of Mary Wolstonecraft, Johanna Baillie, Fanny Burney, Maria Edgeworth,

Reynolds, Romney, Angelica Kaufmann, and others, were mainly responsible for it. English ladies of the period discarded their wigs, hair powder, tight-lacing, hoops, and other deformities, and sought instead simple and graceful lines.

Later, the fashion degenerated, and became as exaggerated in the one direction as it had previously been in the other. At last, on the Continent in many cases a single garment only was worn, and that of the scantiest proportions. We have chosen for our Fête the beautiful period of early change which has been immortalised for us by the great painters, when the skirts were still full and ample, and waists were high, but not too high.

Illustration 1 shows a dress which is similar to that worn by Miss Sneyd in Romney's picture "Serena." There is a little white cap and a dress with flowing skirt of some light material. The skirt parts in the centre-front to show the under-petticoat, which was frequently of darker material and richly patterned.

Though the sellers at the stalls for books,

chintz, with a skirt of plain material below. The neckerchief might be either of white or light coloured material.

Illustration 3 shows a similar costume which would be exceedingly suitable for the

pretty effect would be secured if all the servers in the room wore similar costumes, each one being of a different colour.

Illustration 4 would be exceedingly suitable for the fruit and flower sellers. In my mind, the mob cap is white, with a bow of crimson purple ribbon which matches the neckerchief. The sleeves are white, the over-bodice is golden-brown. The skirt is a dark mossy green, the apron is white, striped with a dark purplish blue. The stockings are white.

Illustration 5 would be suitable for those in charge of the Farm Produce. Very brilliant colouring might be introduced into this costume. The hat might be dark green felt. The handkerchief over the head might be of red and white check. There is also a small white mob cap on the head. The square of cotton over the shoulders might be blue, the coat purple, the overskirt green, and the underskirt an orange red.

Illustration 5a shows a similar coat from the front.

For the convenience of stall-holders and helpers, a Sewing Committee is being



1.

Elizabeth Fry, and Hannah More, all belong to this period. Jane Austen's first novel was published in 1811.

Not only were great ideals for social and economic freedom born, but this was the era also of dress reform. Powder and tight-lacing were discarded, and the need for suitable children's dress was now first realised. The movement towards a less artificial and more beautiful and healthful style of dress both for children and adults originated in England, and Englishwomen, together with the great portrait painters,



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blouses and millinery may think it most suitable to dress as ladies of the period, it must, however, be remembered that the Bazaar is to be a village fête and fair, and that peasant costumes are really most suitable for the occasion. I have therefore looked out also a number of the peasant dresses. The peasants of our period still wore mob caps and panniers, which had gone out of fashion in fashionable circles, and they continued to do so for a considerable time, but they had always been too wise to adopt the disfiguring hoops and pads.

Illustrations 2 and 3 show the back and front of a pannier costume.

Illustration 2 shows also the straw or felt hat which was frequently worn over the mob cap. In choosing the materials for their dresses, stall-holders should always include some purple, white and green, though these colours should not be too rigidly adhered to, as the admixture of other colours increases the brilliancy of the general effect and enhances the beauty of the Union's three chosen colours. The lady in Illustration 2 is supposed to be wearing a straw hat with purple ribbon of rather crimson tinge, a purple skirt, white stockings, a green bodice and overskirt, a white apron, a fold of white linen finishing the sleeves, and a fichu which might either be purple or of some figured material. The same costume would look well if the bodice and overskirt were of brilliantly patterned

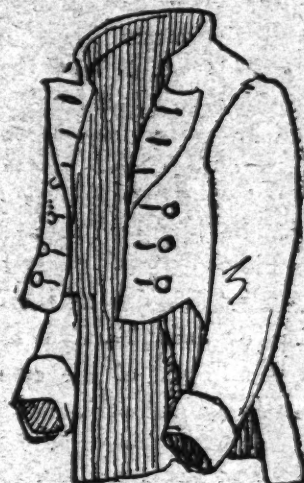


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helpers in the Refreshment Room. It should be made of light thin material. The underskirt might be of the same colour as the stripes of the bodice and overskirt, a contrasting colour being introduced in the fichu and ribbon bow on the white mob cap. A



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formed for the making of costumes. Miss Evelyn Loxwood-King has very kindly agreed to take charge of this, and the Misses Brackenbury have generously lent their studio (entrance in New Road, Campden Hill; Notting Hill Gate Tube, or Metropolitan Railway Station) for the committee to meet in.

The stall-holders who desire their costumes to be made for them by the committee should at once send in their measurements, or, if possible, call to be fitted. They will be charged with the cost of the material. The stall-holders who decide to make their own costumes will be supplied with paper patterns on application. Those who desire to have their costumes made are earnestly advised to apply early.

Volunteers for the Sewing Committee are urgently needed. Working hours at the studio will commence at half past nine in the morning.

## CAUTIONARY TALES IN VERSE.

(With acknowledgments to Mr. Bellot.)

How Wilful Annabel, refusing to listen to her Superiors, involved her country in a Catastrophe of Considerable Dimensions.

When Annabel, a Suffragist,  
Was put upon the Voters' List  
(By whose mistake I need not quote)  
She signified her wish to vote.  
Because she had (and has them still)  
Opinions on the Children Bill  
Her Truest Friends implored of her  
To leave the Voting Register.  
They told her what was Woman's Sphere,  
And what the country has to Fear,  
And how it all depends on Might,  
And since a woman cannot fight,  
Affairs of children under Ten  
Should only be controlled by Men.  
But Annabel, abandoned soul,  
Was bent on going to the Poll.  
And when these Dreadful Things occurred  
Which justified their Every Word,  
She had not left her home a minute  
Before 'twas lost with all things in it,  
While, left to their deserted Sire,  
Her children Fell into the Fire,  
And as she touched the Ballot Box  
The British Realm Succumbed to Shocks,  
We lost our old prestige abroad,  
We almost lost the House of Lords,  
While Dusky Races far away  
With one accord Renounced our Sway.  
"Since Women now have learnt to vote  
"We're governed by a petticoat."  
"Such Dreadful Things were never seen  
"When good Victoria was Queen.  
"We will not do as we are bid,  
"Let's all Revolt," and so they did.  
And thus the British realm was wrecked,  
And England Lost her Self-Respect,  
And British Men were forced to be  
In Bondage under Germany.  
While Annabel (Whom none can praise)  
Was Quite Unsexed for Several Days

MORAL.

The Moral is, that Men should Vote  
And Women wear a Petticoat.



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## MISS HOUSMAN'S IMPRISONMENT.

It has always been understood that one of the fundamental principles of the British Constitution is that taxation and representation should go together. So we are taught in our history books, and so, in fine phrases and eloquent speeches, the Government have been telling us for the last six years. And yet we find that, in spite of their democratic declarations and their repeated statement that the "will of the people must and shall prevail," not only have they, ever since they have been in office, consistently taxed the women of the country without their consent and met the movement for women's enfranchisement with coercion and repression, but they have now thrown a woman into prison for refusing to pay taxes for which she is not allowed representation.

For some time past, even while going up and down the country posing as the champions of the people's rights, the Government have been threatening to do this. Two years ago Miss Clemence Housman took a house, for which she was taxed inhabited house duty to the amount of 4s. 6d. This, since she was denied all Parliamentary representation, she refused to pay. Then, in spite of their assertion that "taxation without representation is legalised robbery," the Government tried, by means of threats and legal proceedings, to extract from Miss Housman the tax for which she is allowed no vote.

In July of this year Miss Housman received a letter from the Board of Inland Revenue, stating that legal proceedings had been taken for the recovery of the inhabited house duty, amounting to 4s. 6d., and that unless the tax, plus the costs and out-of-pocket expenses, amounting to £4 18s. 6d., were paid steps would be taken for her arrest and imprisonment, but that, as they were unwilling to resort to extreme measures, if Miss Housman would pay the tax and the bare out-of-pocket expenses, amounting to £2 10s., they would waive the matter of costs. These terms, since she refused to countenance taxation without representation at all, Miss Housman refused. The Department then sent another letter, a copy of which appeared in last week's VOTES FOR WOMEN, stating that unless the sum of £2 14s. were paid within four days the writ would be lodged with the sheriff at once. To this Miss Housman replied that though she could not conscientiously pay the tax she was ready to conform to the law in other respects, and that on Monday, August 14, she would be at her house at Kensington between twelve and one o'clock. The Department replied that this date would not be convenient, and nothing further was heard of the matter for some time, until Miss Housman received personal intimation that on Thursday, September 28, she would be arrested. The officials, however, did not put in an appearance until the next day, when at ten o'clock in the morning Miss Housman was arrested and taken to Holloway.

On Thursday last, the day on which the Government threatened the arrest, a protest meeting was held outside Miss Housman's residence at Kensington. The speakers included Mrs. Pethick Lawrence, Miss Nina Boyle, Mrs. Kington Parkes, and Mrs. Fagan, of the Women's Tax Resistance League. Mr. Laurence Housman, who presided, explained the circumstances.

On Saturday night, in spite of the cold weather, a large crowd assembled at the meeting which was held outside Holloway Prison. Mrs. Cobden Sanderson, a daughter of Richard Cobden, presided. In their treatment of the Women's Suffragists, she said, the Government had broken every tradition of Liberalism, and in taxing women, while denying them representation, they broke one of the fundamental principles of the British Constitution. Suffragists were fighting for their political liberty, not only as taxpayers, but because they wanted to do away

with the poverty and misery so rife in the world to-day. Sometimes in order to gain liberty it was necessary to give up liberty. That was what Miss Housman had done, and if the Government continued to deny the women of the country the representation which they claimed, many others would follow her example.

Mr. Laurence Housman said that women had awakened to a great sense of political responsibility, and in their fight for enfranchisement they were bound to win. It was impossible to go on denying the vote to the majority of the people of any country when once they possessed that spirit of self-government.

Mrs. Despard, Miss Nina Boyle, and Mrs. Kington Parkes all made eloquent speeches in defence of the constitutional right of women to Parliamentary representation, and a resolution protesting against the imprisonment of Miss Housman and demanding her release was passed by an overwhelming majority. Then three ringing cheers, which, we hope, reached the prisoner in her lonely cell, were given in honour of Miss Housman.

Next day (Sunday) two large and enthu-



MISS CLEMENCE HOUSMAN AND HER BROTHER, MR. LAURENCE HOUSMAN.

[By courtesy of "The Standard."]

siastic protest meetings were held in Hyde Park—one under the auspices of the Women's Tax Resistance League and the other of the Men's Political Union. The attitude of the audience on both occasions was keenly sympathetic, and similar resolutions to those already recorded were passed.

to the Government. She had one day left in England. If they wished to take her and put her in prison with Miss Housman she would be pleased to enjoy their hospitality. If the imprisonment of Miss Housman meant that the Government were going to adopt harsher measures than in the past towards the Suffrage Movement, the women were ready for anything they might do. The autumn campaign, Mrs. Pankhurst continued, was going to be a strenuous one. Members of the Women's Social and Political Union had a great work before them. They had to see that when next year came it would be impossible for the promise of facilities to be in any way broken, and to make sure that all members of Parliament who believe in Woman Suffrage are real Suffragists. Before going away she asked each member of the Union to do her best to make the work of the Conciliation Committee as easy as possible, and to support the leaders of the movement in all the work that lay before them in the autumn.

Mrs. Pethick Lawrence, who took the chair on Mrs. Pankhurst's departure, said in connection with Miss Housman's imprisonment that just as it was unsafe for a tyrannical king in the seventeenth century to levy taxes without the people's consent, so it was unsafe at the present day for a tyrannical Government to levy taxes on the women of the country without their consent.

Mr. Laurence Housman said there were many happy women in the ranks of the Suffragists, but he did not believe that at that moment there was one happier than his sister in prison. That did not mean that she was not suffering great deprivation and hardship, but she had forgotten herself and done something for others. Recounting the events which led up to Miss Housman's imprisonment, he said that more than two years ago Miss Housman had taken the house on which the Inhabited House Duty was charged, and from the first she had refused to pay. About a year ago the Government tried to recover the required 4s. 6d. but without avail. By means of visitations, threatening letters and legal proceedings, they had hoped to make her give in. And now, after running themselves up a bill of over £5 in the High Court, they were no nearer obtaining the 4s. 6d. than they had

## AT THE LONDON PAVILION.

Tremendously keen and enthusiastic was the first Monday afternoon At Home of the winter season, held in the London Pavilion on Monday last. From floor to ceiling the whole of the immense building was crowded, and the appearance of the speakers was the signal for loud and prolonged cheers.

Mrs. Pankhurst, who received a great ovation, took the chair for the last time before her departure for America. The meeting, she said, was not only one of rejoicing at being together again, but it was also one to protest against the imprisonment of Miss Clemence Housman, and to call attention to the fact that the Government, which taxes women to pay the salaries of members of Parliament, has commenced a fresh militant campaign against the Suffragists by imprisoning a woman who refuses to contribute to those salaries until she is allowed a voice in saying who the men shall be to receive them. Why, she asked, had the Government imprisoned Miss Housman and left her (Mrs. Pankhurst) free, when she had refused to pay taxes of any description for the last three years? She threw out this challenge

been at first. Though Miss Housman was imprisoned for an "indefinite period," which, if they wished, the Government would turn into a life sentence, public opinion would not allow anything of the kind, and when she was released so long as women were unfranchised she would continue her policy of tax-resistance. One heard a great deal in these days about the right to strike and break contract without incurring any penalty. Some members of Parliament, especially Adult Suffragists, professed great sympathy with men strikers. He maintained that women had a far greater right to strike, because in doing so they broke no contract. The Government refused to make a contract with them. The women said to the Government: "You take our money and you give us no guarantees of how that money is to be spent." Miss Housman was in prison because she refused to pay until she received those guarantees. Recent legislation had been passed to pay members of Parliament. A woman was now in prison for refusing to pay those members until she and other women taxpayers were allowed the right to vote. That, he thought, was a position worthy of the consideration of Mr. Lloyd George and other "democrats" for whom the Conciliation Bill was not good enough. If that measure should be destroyed by wrecking amendments next year, it could then be said of the House of Commons: "This your House should be a house of fair fame, but ye have made it a den of thieves."

Mrs. Pethick Lawrence having announced that £15 would be needed to provide the bands for Saturday, three members of the audience came forward at once and offered £5 each. Subsequently a collection was taken which amounted to £25.

Miss Christabel Pankhurst, in dealing with the political situation, said that the battle for the Conciliation Bill must be fought this autumn. Nothing must be left for next year, for 1912 would bring its own work and its own difficulties. She was full of hope, full of confidence, but at the same time there were difficulties to be faced. Women were just entering into the promised land. For fifty years they had been watching and waiting for the time in which we are now living. They had been watching and waiting for the day when Woman Suffrage would be a question of practical politics. That day had now arrived, and Suffragists would be miserable muddlers indeed if they did not display the same courage and enthusiasm that they displayed when victory seemed so far away.

"What we have to do," Miss Pankhurst concluded, "is not to waste time in wondering whether we can trust this or that person, or whether this or that pledge is going to be kept, but to do what we have always done: trust in ourselves!"

The resolution protesting against the imprisonment of Miss Housman and calling for her immediate release was passed unanimously.

## CAPTAIN GONNE THREATENED WITH LEGAL PROCEEDINGS.

We are informed that Captain Gonne has been in correspondence with the Inland Revenue Commissioners with regard to the payment of income tax: that he has refused to pay in view of the fact that the incomes of himself and his wife are not separated for the purpose of income tax, and that as she is not recognised as a citizen of the country by being allowed a parliamentary vote she ought not to be taxed. The Inland Revenue Department has threatened him with legal proceedings, but up to the time of going to press no steps have been taken.

## FAREWELL TO MRS. PANKHURST.

Walking over Waterloo Bridge on the morning of Wednesday, October 4, the greyness of the sky, fitfully illumined now and again with tiny gleams of sunshine, seemed to symbolise the feelings of a gathering of men and women who had come to Waterloo to bid farewell to the leader of the W.S.P.U. on her departure to America. Joy and regret were very near akin, and were reflected again and again on the face of first one and then another of the waiting group. They were glad their leader was going to meet their sisters across the sea, but they could not forget that it meant a long absence from England. They thought of the weeks that must elapse before they saw her again, and as they thought many of them resolved that they were going to work as never before, so that on her return she might find the movement so dear to her heart, the movement for which she has given so much, in a position it had never held before. The general public, seeing the colours, soon realised that these people were Suffragettes, and many curious groups of twos and threes drew near to know the meaning of it all. As the 9.45 steamed out of the station it carried floating from the front of its engine a tri-colour in purple, white, and green. Mrs. Pankhurst, who was accompanied by Miss Pethick (sister of Mrs. Pethick Lawrence), was loudly cheered as she took her place in the carriage, and as the train started cheer after cheer rang out, though many a voice sounded husky with other emotion than joy. Mrs. Pankhurst was met at Southampton Docks by a contingent of local members, and presented with a bouquet in the colours. A tri-colour flag was waved as the "Oceanic" sailed.

## KEIGHLEY BY-ELECTION.

By the death of Sir John Briggs, a vacancy is created in the Keighley, Division of Yorkshire. The candidates have been approached by Miss Mary Phillips, the W.S.P.U. organiser, and further details will be given next week.

## PROCESSION TO-MORROW.

In order to demonstrate that Miss Clemence Housman is protesting not on her own behalf but on behalf of the womanhood of the country, there will be to-morrow (Saturday) a procession to Holloway Prison, in which suffragists of various societies will take part. The head of the procession will form up, four abreast, at two o'clock in Kingsway (Great Queen Street), and will start at three o'clock sharp, with bands and banners, and proceed via:—Kingsway, High Holborn, New Oxford Street, Bloomsbury Street, Great Russell Street, Tottenham Court Road, Hampstead Road, High Street, Camden Road, Dalmeny Avenue, Carleton Road, Crayford Road, to Holloway, where a meeting will be held outside the prison gates. The speakers on this occasion will be Miss Christabel Pankhurst, LL.B., Mrs. Despard, Mrs. Kington Parkes, Mr. Victor Duval, Miss Adeline Bourne, and others. Miss Hambling, W.S.P.U., 4, Clements Inn, W.C., has kindly consented, at the request of the Women's Tax Resistance League, to become the organiser of this procession, and we appeal to all readers of the paper to co-operate with her and support her by their presence in the ranks. Each suffrage society will bring its own banners and arrange its own banner bearers, and each society will be allotted its own position in the procession. A strongly worded resolution will be carried protesting against the imprisonment of Miss Housman, and expressing the indignation of all those who love justice at the arbitrary and unconstitutional proceedings of the

Government. Members of the M.P.U., and any other men who wish to show their sympathy and respect to Miss Housman, will have the opportunity of doing so by walking in the M.P.U. Contingent. There will be a colour bearer, two banners, and several tricolours, and it is earnestly hoped that this contingent will be as large as possible. It will be headed by the Committee, and will include many men, who, having themselves done militant work, are marching to show their admiration of Miss Housman.

All members who can give any time to making Saturday's Procession and Protest Meeting widely known, are requested to communicate at once with Miss D. A. Bowker, 4, Clements Inn, who is in charge of the advertisement campaign. The route of the procession, and the environs of Holloway Prison must be thoroughly billed. Those who can only give an hour or two in the evening are urgently requested to place that time at the disposal of Miss Bowker. A band of bill distributors will visit the markets and busy thoroughfares of Holloway on Saturday morning. Will any who can join this band send in their names at once, so that full instructions may be sent to them? The procession and meeting will be a splendid means of reaching the public mind, so no efforts must be spared to advertise it. Only a short time remains, and there is much to be done. Paper sellers also are wanted; they can obtain papers from the paper cart in Kingsway, at 2 p.m. Volunteers are asked to send in their names at once.



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### "NEW WOMEN."

A straw shows the way of the wind, and the tendency in books and plays to introduce the characters of "new women" are signs of the triumphant intrusion of the woman's question. Not that these books represent the modern woman in any true light. We have already noticed several so-called Suffrage plays in which the Suffrage Movement is used merely as a background to heroines who are (fortunately) very unlike the Suffragists we know. When we read books like "The Dangerous Age,"\* by Karin Michaelis, and "Mrs. Maxon Protests,"† by Anthony Hope, we long to caution their readers that the women of these books are not in any true sense types of modern women. Still, foolish as is the one heroine and morbid the other, both of them are reaching out, unconsciously perhaps, for a wider life and a greater horizon, and though, groping blindly, they stumble and fall, and even their misfortunes fail to win our sympathy, they have in them a glimmering of the truth, a faint perception that women have the right to order their own lives. Although the authors have chosen to represent them as going backward instead of forward, so that their last state is worse than their first, yet to the discerning eye these books may be taken as a symbol of the unrest among women which will be turned into nobler channels as the ways open to them.

The women in these books are spiritless—they drift before the wind of their vagrant emotions. In Mr. Anthony Hope's book—clever and well-written as it is—the heroine hardly wins our sympathy. She makes a bid for freedom in leaving, after a few years of marriage, a somewhat tyrannical husband who was not inclined to allow her any individuality. The right or wrong of this step is a matter for her own conscience. Given the position by the novelist we wait eagerly to see the use made of her freedom. Will she, like Ibsen's Nora, go away and learn to be worthy? Will she, with the sympathy trouble has taught her, live to help other women? Will she realise the best that is in her and win happiness slowly and by her deserts? Alas, Mr. Hope's Winnie seems a shadowy creation: we are given only a study of her emotions, and they are lively and evanescent. An attempt to brave the Giant (the World or Mrs. Grundy) ends in failure, for neither Winnie nor her partner in the experiment were of heroic stuff. We leave her, however, happily married again—not much more developed for all her experiences than when she took her first faltering step of defiance. Any book by Mr. Hope is interesting, but we grow rather weary of continual love-making, and the women in this book seem to have little other interest. The author is conscious that he has asked a question and given us no answer, but he realises that an answer is needed, and the finest words are the concluding ones:—"Winnie Maxon had broken a law and asked a question. When thousands do the like, the Giant, after giving the first corner a box on the ear, may at last put his hand to his own and ponderously consider."

In M. Marcel Prevost's opinion the author of "The Dangerous Age" is the first woman who had dared to write without pretending to see through a man's eyes, and he accepts these morbid observations of a neurotic as the revelation of a woman's soul. As a contribution to literature the book is a notable one. It has caused a sensation among writers, it has been translated into several languages, and the English edition appears with an introduction by M. Marcel Prevost himself. But one cannot help asking what would have happened if, instead of obtaining a divorce from her kind but ordinary husband, and retiring to an island where she, so to speak, puts her emotions into a test tube, this woman with the fine gifts had taken a rest cure, and then, looking at life with saner eyes, had allowed herself to become absorbed in some definite work in which other people's interests and happiness as well as her own had been concerned. Literature might have been the poorer, but the honour of womanhood would have gained. For this heroine is a selfish woman from the sole of her foot to the crown of her head, and because, seen through neurotic eyes, all her woman friends appear to her to be in the same case as herself, readers—especially men readers—are deceived, and exclaim: "Here at last, we have the real woman with the veil torn off." Not only a very clever, very selfish woman with an unusual power of introspection, who has willfully allowed herself to drift into a thoroughly morbid state of mind. Who is "Karin Michaelis?" Women writers have hidden their personality under a man's name. Have we here a man masquerading under a woman's name? S. V.

### THE WOMAN'S MOVEMENT IN BERMONDSEY.

Mrs. Cavendish Bentinck's vivid article in the *English-woman* for October, on the Women's Strike in South London, should make anti-suffragists realise how deep and growing is the realisation among those who know that there can be no permanent reform of industrial conditions without the political enfranchisement of women. The story of Bermondsey as told by Mrs. Bentinck grips—picture after picture passes before you—pictures of starving women and girls, of babies weakly crying for food that their mothers are too ill-nourished to give them, of miserable "homes" without the decencies of life.

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Would not our anti-suffrage friends have understood how impossible it is to obtain equal pay for equal work so long as one sex is politically powerless, and would they not have realised how imperative it is that we should insist on this "equal pay for equal work," if they had seen the little girls' hands lacerated and fingers lost in various factories, and heard the boys corroborate the girls' assertion that they did exactly the same work, but were paid with a ten or twelve shillings difference, merely on account of their sex, with the result that more and more boys are dispensed with, and replaced by the girls, who are obliged, by reason of their sex, to act as blacklegs to their own brothers? . . . The Bermondsey strikes are nothing to what we may expect, for it is the girls who are waking up.

The older women may have to muddle through as best they can. "We shan't see the better time," said one of these sad-faced women; dependently. Then, suddenly, her flabby form stiffened, and she added defiantly, as she swept the crowd with flashing eyes, "But by *God*, our children shall!"

\* "The Dangerous Age." By Karin Michaelis. London: John Lane.  
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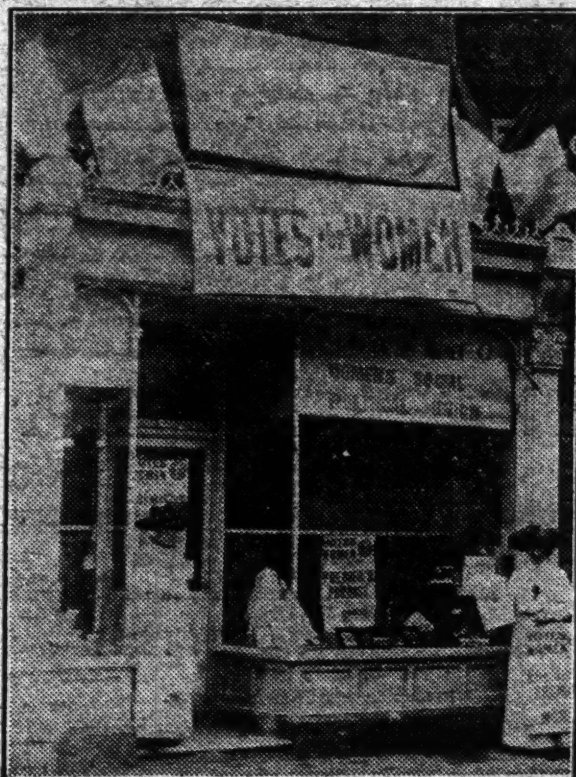
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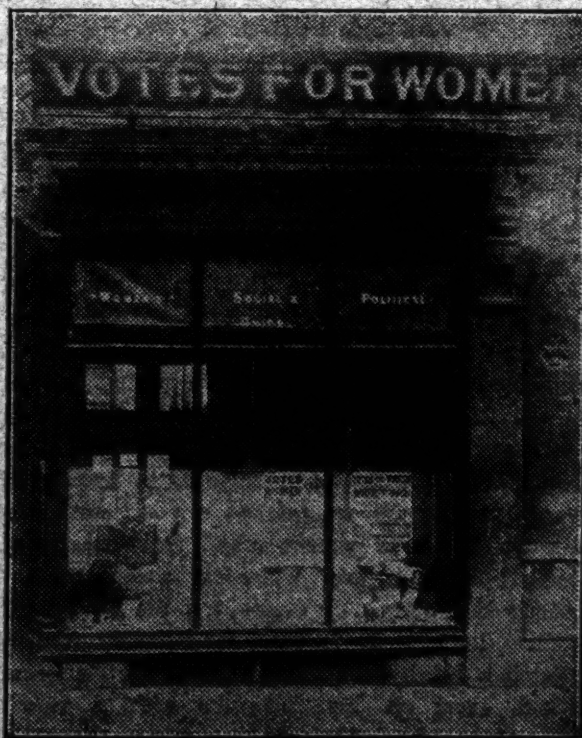


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### THE CHANCELLOR OF THE EXCHEQUER'S TACTICS.

The task which between now and Christmas we have to  
perform is to make the passage of the Conciliation Bill  
secure. In other words, we have to obtain from a  
majority of the Members of the House of Commons a  
promise that they will give heed to Sir Edward Grey's  
warning against amendments which would seriously  
divide the friends of Woman Suffrage, and that they  
will, in accordance with that warning, co-operate with  
the Conciliation Committee in resisting all such wreck-  
ing amendments. As we pointed out last week, there  
exists a conspiracy of wreckers and reactionaries who  
are bent upon carrying widening amendments in  
Committee in the hope of destroying the majority for  
the Bill. This group is dangerous chiefly from the  
fact that it is led by the Chancellor of the Exchequer,  
who will exert all his influence with a view to  
getting advanced Suffragists to assist the Anti-  
Suffragists to carry in Committee a widening amend-  
ment which would have the effect of wrecking the Bill.

The particular amendment which Mr. Lloyd George  
intends to promote is one to give a vote to the wife of  
every elector, in virtue of her husband's qualification.  
This provision would apply to no less than six millions

of women, so that the Conciliation Bill, instead of en-  
franchising one million women, as in its present form  
it does, would enfranchise seven million women. The  
Reform Bills of the past, driven through as they were by  
all the force at the disposal of the Government of the  
day, did not provide for the enfranchisement of any-  
thing like so large a number as this. The number en-  
franchised in 1832 was half a million; in 1867 about  
one million, and in 1884 about two millions. These facts  
alone suffice to show how impossible it would be for a  
body of private members, unaided by the Government,  
to carry a measure enfranchising seven millions of  
new voters, and almost doubling the existing electorate.  
An electoral change of this magnitude could not possibly  
be effected without the discipline and driving force  
which only the Government can apply, especially as it  
is of a kind which members of the Unionist party  
would oppose. Therefore, if Mr. Lloyd George should  
succeed in carrying his widening amendment in  
Committee, the Women's Social and Political Union  
would demand that upon the instant, and before the Bill  
went any further, the Government should themselves  
adopt the Bill, and carry it through its remaining  
stages into law—not in some dim and speculative  
future, but forthwith, so that before the end of the  
Session the Bill, even if opposed in the Upper House,  
would (under the provisions of the Parliament Act) be  
certain of enactment during this Parliament.

We know, however, that none would so bitterly and  
strenuously oppose this course as would Mr. Lloyd  
George himself, because his object is not, as he  
professes, to secure to women a wide measure of  
enfranchisement, but to prevent women from having  
the vote at all. We know—for he has himself  
confessed it—that although he hopes to carry his  
widening amendment when the Conciliation Bill gets  
into Committee next year, he does not intend that the Bill  
in this amended form shall then pass its third reading.  
This confession he made openly and explicitly at the  
meeting of Liberal members of Parliament which took  
place shortly before the summer holiday to discuss the  
Woman Suffrage question. On that occasion he made  
the following statements:—

(1) That the Conciliation Bill amended in the  
manner he advocates would become a measure which  
could not be carried through its third reading except  
by the Government.

(2) That the third reading of this amended  
measure would not be carried next Session.

Thus we see that Mr. Lloyd George is self convicted  
as a wrecker. By his own admission his policy is  
directed solely towards preventing women from getting  
the vote before the next General Election. For if he  
could, in co-operation with the Anti-Suffragists, so  
extend the Conciliation Bill as to make it no longer a  
moderate and non-party measure, he would, so he  
anticipates, prevent the Bill from passing through the  
House of Commons in 1912, and would thus deprive it  
of the protection of the Parliament Act.

We wish that he, and those who are disposed to  
support him, shall understand that if this contingency  
should arise it would not find the members of this Union  
unprepared. Suffragists would make the demand—and  
would be prepared by every means in their power to  
enforce it—that the Government should at once assume  
entire responsibility for the measure.

This demand would rest on a perfectly solid and  
logical foundation. For if Mr. Lloyd George's schemes  
were to succeed the entire Government would neces-  
sarily become involved. He is, after all, one of the  
chief members of the Government. Obviously it would  
be impossible for him to defy the promoters of the  
Conciliation Bill, and to procure its transformation into  
a measure calculated to appeal only to Ministerialists  
in the House of Commons, without implicating his  
colleagues in the Government. They could not wash  
their hands of responsibility for the consequences of  
the Chancellor of the Exchequer's policy with regard to  
the Bill. The principles underlying our system of  
Cabinet government forbid that they should do so. It  
would be entirely contrary to the spirit of the Con-  
stitution.

Knowing as we do that the Chancellor of the  
Exchequer's attempt to widen the Bill is purely and  
solely a device for wrecking it, and that he would resist  
desperately any claim on our part that it should be  
made a Government measure and carried in 1912,  
the Women's Social and Political Union will strain  
every nerve to prevent the passing of widening amend-  
ments. But if the Chancellor of the Exchequer were  
to secure the adoption of his amendment in Committee  
we should know how to deal with the situation.

One thing is certain, and it is that women will  
tolerate no more dishonesty and no more trickery where  
their claim to political liberty is concerned.

Christabel Pankhurst.



# CONSCIENCE MONEY.

By Laurence Housman.

"Behold how great a matter a little fire kindleth."

The little fire was, in this case, a woman householder's refusal to pay any tax, however small, for unrepresentative government. And this—I am dealing now merely with the economic line of argument—is how the result has worked out.

The definite refusal was made nearly a year ago; the amount involved, in the first instance, being 4s. 6d. for Inhabited House Duty. But the householder had no goods of her own on which the authorities could distrain. Since that time, and especially during the last three months, various Government Departments, or their legal representatives in solicitors' offices and in the High Court, have been set to work to extract the 4s. 6d. which was legally owing, and, incidentally, payment for their own wasted time. Threatening letters, punctuated by threatening visitations, all perfectly civil in phraseology, have resulted up to date—quite irrespective of the time expended on these official comings and goings—in a cost to the Government of £5 7s. 6d. No doubt other expenses have been incurred, but they have not come directly within the writer's knowledge, and still, after all this expenditure, the 4s. 6d. in question is no nearer the Government's pocket than it was at the beginning.

When the process had been under way for about six months the Board of Inland Revenue seemed to realise that it was fighting a losing battle, and after having presented a bill for £4 18s. 6d., offered to close the whole matter on payment of the tax, plus £2 10s., its actual "out of pocket" expenses. That offer was refused, and the costs continued to mount. To save its face, the Government was forced to go on throwing good money after bad. And its latest throw—when finally it sent its representative to convey the recalcitrant householder to Holloway on Friday last—was, by a freak of poetic justice, that precise sum of 4s. 6d. which was the original cause of the dispute, and which it was now obliged to expend in taking its victorious victim by taxi-cab from Kensington to Holloway. There, until it chooses to relinquish its claim, the costly process to which it has become committed will still go on, and we have the economic object lesson set clearly before us.

The term "conscience money" is usually applied to voluntary, though rather surreptitious, payments of certain sums which men with a share in the government of the country, have unfairly kept back from the public service; and I believe that a Chancellor of the Exchequer has left it on record that never within his knowledge has "conscience money" been paid by a woman. From no woman is it due. Until women are given representation in the State their "conscience money" should take the form rather of money withheld than of money paid in. And it marks, to my mind, a higher level of political morality among women in the past than I had always given them credit for, that never have they been known to do so unconscionable a thing as to pay to unrepresentative government one penny more than they were obliged.

But there is another aspect of "conscience money" which I should like to put before my readers, which is, indeed, set forth in the particular case with which I have been dealing. Here we have one woman holding back "conscience money" from an unjust Government, impressing by that act, at great personal inconvenience to herself, her conscientious claim upon the mind of the community. And at the same time she has extracted, rather against its will, a certain form of "conscience money" from the Board of Inland Revenue. She has, that is to say, in order to awaken the public conscience, brought the Board of Inland Revenue into economic ridicule. She has shown that, in trying to enforce upon her taxation without representation, it is out of pocket to the tune of more pounds than it tried to extract shillings, and that each time it makes that attempt the result will be the same.

It is one of the duties of responsible citizenship to hold bad laws up to ridicule, and to make their continuance a difficulty to the Government. That duty has in the past been performed both by judges and by juries, and by holding the law up to disrepute they have caused it to be altered. It has been especially performed by those whose will was to be law-respecting and law-abiding. But that very standard of morality which made them ready to respect the law under just conditions also made it incumbent upon them to show their disrespect when just conditions were persistently denied. The verdict of history has justified their conduct, because their fight, however much against the letter of the law, was in defence of the spirit of our great unwritten Constitution, the greatest that the world has seen.

But how do women stand to the Constitution?

In the matter of tax-paying no action that they take can be called "constitutional." For a woman to say that she pays her taxes "constitutionally" is to claim a privilege she does not possess. She may pay them voluntarily or submissively—that is quite a different matter—but she cannot pay them "constitutionally" when she has no voice whatever in the Constitution that imposes them. A slave may accept the conditions of his slavery with resignation or with cheer-

fulness, but he cannot do so "as a free citizen." For that he must be made a free citizen first, and when he is a free citizen he is no longer a slave.

Unable to act constitutionally, women may yet act with constitutional intent—with the determination, that is to say, to bring into difficulty and disrepute any Government which denies them their constitutional claim. And surely one of the best ways is to demonstrate by the withholding of conscience money, and the piling up of costs to the Government, that the taxing of unrepresented women can be made of no profit to the State.

## TREASURER'S NOTE.

Members of the Women's Social and Political Union never for one moment forget that the secret of every successful campaign is sound finance. The moment they devise new methods of protest or new plans for the development of the organisation they are ready to furnish the necessary funds. What an illustration of this spirit was given last Monday in the London Pavilion! The heart of that audience was profoundly moved by the story of the brave protest for constitutional liberties made by Miss Clemence Housman. We desired to identify ourselves with her as she identified herself with all womanhood when she resolved to pay the price of her protest against injustice. There and then we decided to organise a procession to Holloway, to culminate in an indignation meeting, but in a flash we realised that such a demonstration would necessarily cost money, and in two minutes the money was forthcoming and the expenses were defrayed. There were strangers in the hall, who were astonished at this prompt alliance between thought and deed. It was an illustration of that common sense touched with enthusiasm which prevails in our ranks, and the incident tells the secret of our success.

Every organiser aims at making her own department of the work self-supporting, while all the members are constantly devising new ways and means of providing the necessary funds for breaking up new ground and carrying out new enterprises. Members of this Union have set themselves the task of raising a quarter of a million sterling. Towards that great total they have already amassed over £104,000. Most of this money has been expended in the building up of a vast and powerful organisation. The Women's Movement is now a force in public life. It has to be reckoned with. Now that the movement is strong many women who hitherto held aloof are joining the ranks. It is "up to them" to take upon themselves part of the financial duties that others have fulfilled so generously. The Treasurer is confident that all the funds necessary for carrying through the large programme of the autumn campaign will be forthcoming. She asks for and expects a generous response from old and new friends to the needs of the present moment.

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Miss Perrier.....	0 2 6
Miss H. A. Flishill.....	0 1 0
Miss N. Davidson.....	0 1 0
Per Mrs. A. Pankhurst.....	0 10 0
Mrs. D. Anamu.....	0 2 0
The Misses Middleton.....	0 10 0
Misses Baker and Denton.....	1 10 0
Miss M. B. McKenzie.....	0 0 6
Mrs. P. Smith.....	0 15 0
Profit on Tea.....	0 2 8
Miss Schuster.....	0 5 0
Per Mrs. B. Wylie.....	0 6 7
Miss Gibb.....	9 10 0
Mrs. John (ret. fare).....	1 6 0
Miss M. M'Pherson.....	2 1 11
Miss F. M'Pherson.....	0 0 0
Miss Laverton.....	0 0 0
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Mrs. A. Durant.....	1 0 0
Per Mrs. B. Wylie.....	1 0 0
Mrs. Graham.....	0 15 0
Membership Fees.....	8 9 0
Collections, etc.....	0 2 8
London.....	0 8 4
Per Mrs. M. Harrison.....	1 10 0
Per Mrs. Key Jones.....	0 14 1
Per Mrs. A. Kenney.....	8 0 9
Per Mrs. B. Wylie.....	8 0 9
Total.....	£104,322 12 5

Cheques should be made out to Mrs. Pankhurst Lawrence and crossed "Barclay and Co."

# SHALL THE WISE SUFFER FOR THE FOOLS?

By Cicely Wroughton.

This is the question with which advocates of Woman Suffrage are so frequently confronted. In other words, is the vote to be a reward for the mentally fit, confining it only to those persons whose opinion can in some super-extraordinary way be proved sound? In short, is representative government to confine its representation only to the philosophers of the nation?

As an advocate of female representation engaged in propaganda work, I am met with these arguments day after day, not by one class of woman, but by every class of woman. I happened to be present at a meeting where a woman (who, by the way, called herself an anti-Suffragist) was speaking for over half-an-hour in connection with the Primrose League. Whether or not I agree with her views does not concern the readers of a non-party paper, but, from the Conservative point of view, she dealt exceedingly ably with every political question of the day. I fully expected that when I tackled her on the subject of "direct influence in politics" she would tell me that she, a mere woman, was not fit to vote, but she did not. She considered herself (and very rightly) perfectly equal to the ordeal of the polling-booth—but she added that her neighbour round the corner, an ill-clad, half drunk, uneducated woman, was not. In fact, she considered that the wise should suffer for the fools. Never has a greater mistake been made. If we are to wait for a reform until everyone is capable of making the best possible use of it, there is no room for reformers in the world. Could we return to the days of Pocket Boroughs, prior to the Reform Bill of 1832, we should find that despite the limited conditions of the franchise, there were still those voters whose opinion was worth nothing.

Arguing on the principle of my Conservative lady-speaker, we should speedily arrive at a complete abolition of representative government.

Besides, the mentally unfit, such as the drunken slum woman, finds her champion sister in Belgravia and Mayfair. If her brain is not addled by gin, it is addled by a life devoted to senseless frivolity. I know an inhabitant of Mayfair who took so little interest in affairs of the State that she did not know until somebody happened to discuss the matter in her presence whether or not the House of Lords had passed the Parliament Bill.

Now suppose the House of Commons was to act on this principle! We know that a large number of the electorate who returned the present Government to power had only a very hazy knowledge of the principles on which they returned their candidates. Taking advantage of this, the Government might have been spared the trouble of all-night sittings and a hot August in London, and have let the Parliament Bill drop, on the plea that the majority of the electorate were mentally unfit. The opposition could have taken the same line, and finally the House of Lords could have been spared a most arduous task.

But would this have been fair behaviour to the serious, deeply thinking people to whom both parties in the House of Commons are responsible?

Well, if the House of Commons is to be responsible to the serious-minded men, why not equally to the serious-minded women?

Then, once we are agreed that the fit must not suffer for the unfit, how are the unfit to be dealt with? In the first place, the unfit will exist—unless a miracle happens—until the end of the world; in what degree depends largely on ourselves. On the other hand, the silly woman of Mayfair will cease to exist from the day that men cease to tell her (in other words) that an empty head is attractive, and mothers no longer bring up their daughters to think that the surest way to gain a husband is to appear incapable of doing without one. The drunken woman of the slums—perhaps the hardest to deal with—stands her best chance of regeneration by being treated as a responsible human being, from whom the State expects some return for the privilege she enjoys through the vote, instead of forcing her to live in conditions that produce this type of woman, as rain produces weeds, and sacrificing half the community to her faults. If justice is necessary to civilisation, then away with this argument, that no woman is to have a vote to punish the few. If justice counts for nothing, and we are content to hang ten innocent men on the chance of one of them being a murderer, then—and then only—the advocates of Woman Suffrage will find a serious point to contend with.

## MRS. PANKHURST'S AMERICAN TOUR.

Mrs. Pankhurst left England for America on Wednesday, October 4, and will be met by delegates from various women's associations from New York City and vicinity when she arrives in New York. While in that city Mrs. Pankhurst will be the guest of Mrs. Braunton, who, it will be remembered, helped the W.S.P.U. for some time in London. During her tour in America Mrs. Pankhurst will address meetings as follows:—Brooklyn, New York, October 17; Kentucky (the Woman Suffrage Convention), on October 18 or 19; Cleveland, Ohio, October 20; Baltimore, October 30; St. Louis, November 3; and Toronto, December 12.



## CHRISTMAS FAIR AND FÊTE.

December 4 to 9.

Eight weeks to complete the preparation of the last eight months! Eight weeks for all members of the Union to concentrate all their efforts on making the Christmas Fair and Fête a grand and complete success. From December 4-9 the great Portman Rooms will be transformed into an old-world market interior. A beautiful architectural design by Miss Sylvia Pankhurst will be carried out. Her mural painting will be outlined by arches supported by pillars. The main effect will be white. The purple and green will be used as rich masses of colour. In the hands of such an expert in decorative art as Miss Sylvia Pankhurst we may all feel very sure that the result will be very beautiful and attractive. Every booth will be specialised and will hang out its own painted sign indicating the merchandise which is offered for sale. The sellers will be dressed in early nineteenth century costume. We are able to announce that the Fair will be opened on the second day by her Highness the Ranees of Sarawak, who is also most generously and kindly associating herself with one of the stalls, and on December 7 by the Princess Bariatsinski (Lydia Yavorska), the great Russian actress. The full programme will be issued later. Mrs. Pertwee, who is organising the theatre, has already secured promises of co-operation from many popular artists, including Mme. Bertha Moore, Miss Phyllis Lett, Miss Eva Moore, Miss Adeline Bourne, Mr. Guy Pertwee, Mr. Ernest Denny, Miss Ada Moore, Miss M. Moore, Mr. Ernest Pertwee, Mr. Percy French, and Miss Winifred Mayo. In the repertoire will be included "The Twelve Pound Look." Mr. J. M. Barrie has most kindly given permission for his play to be performed without fee during the Fête week. While so much generosity and so much goodwill is being shown by friends outside the immediate circle of membership of the Union, the members themselves will be encouraged to put forth every effort to break all previous records of achievement and success. We expect every reader of the paper to scan the list of stalls below, to select those which she is able to help, to gather her friends together and enlist their sympathy and co-operation, and to exercise resource, ingenuity and effort that will result in a contribution worthy of the large heartedness and the large-mindedness that have become traditions of the Union.

## Reports from Organisers.

Mrs. Pertwee has undertaken two entertainments a day, at 3.30 and 8.30, with the kind assistance of the Actresses' Franchise League, who will give a play at each performance, in addition to musical and other attractions. Offers of bands to play in the big hall would be very acceptable.

Mrs. East, 21, Brandenburg Road, Chiswick, will be glad to have small articles, value from 1d to 6d., suitable for lucky tubs. Promises and articles may be sent to her.

Miss A. E. Worstold, 45, Bouverie Road West, Folkestone, secretary for Canterbury and South Kent, begs to thank Mrs. Jennings, of Herne Bay, and an anonymous donor from Esher, for very welcome gifts of lavender, also Miss Brewster, of Droithwich, and Mrs. Wallis and Mrs. A. Wallis, of Blean, for promises of handkerchief and lavender sachets. Gratefully acknowledged:—Donations to Shilling Fund: Miss Nicoll, 12s.; Miss Parry, 3s.; Mrs. and Miss Brown, 2s.; Miss Wyatt, 2s.; Miss May Wyatt, 1s. Miss Worstold wishes to announce a prize competition for the best collection of soap tablets. Competitors are to get each of their friends to give them a tablet of his or her favourite soap, and the collection, when as

complete as possible, is to be sent to Miss Worstold for the Canterbury and South Kent stall. First prize, 5s.; second prize, 2s. 6d., to be spent at the stall itself during the Fête and Fair. Further details as to time limit, &c., will appear next week. Intending competitors should send in their names at once, together with an entrance fee of 3d., to Miss Worstold, 45, Bouverie Road West, Folkestone. The competition is open to non-members as well as members, of either sex, all over the world. A business meeting to arrange work parties, &c., will be held next Wednesday afternoon at 3.30 p.m., at Trevarra, 30, Bouverie Road West, Folkestone, by kind permission of Miss Key. Miss Worstold earnestly begs every one who is interested to attend.

Miss Leonora Tyson, 5, Shrubbery Road, Streatham, invites friends to help to fill the Christmas stockings which are being made at the work parties. All kinds of small gifts, such as children love to find in their stockings on Christmas morning, will be welcome. An important meeting of workers is being arranged by Mrs. Holman, at Oakfield House, Barrow Road, Streatham Common, on Tuesday afternoon next, October 10, from 3 to 6 p.m. Members are especially urged to attend, as new work will be discussed and started. For other work parties see programme. Miss Tyson is most anxious to hear from friends able to use fret-saws, as many charming toys may be fashioned by these means, notably the popular jig-saw puzzles. Gratefully acknowledged towards expenses, a Kennington member, 5s. Members who would like to steward and help to sell are asked to send in their names to Miss Tyson as soon as possible in order that arrangements for the making of their costumes may be made without delay.

Miss Cobb, 8, North Street, Quadrant, Brighton, will be glad if members will let her know soon how much time they will be able to give as sellers; she hopes to arrange for two or three helpers who will give an hour or two daily as well as the regular stall holders who will be in London for the whole week. It has been suggested that a small sale of work should be held in Brighton in November, the proceeds of which would help to furnish the stall. Will members call at the office on Thursday, October 12, to consider this plan and also to arrange for work parties? Contributions of any kind in goods or money will be welcome. Gratefully acknowledged: Mrs. Johnson, crochet lace and babies' caps; Mrs. Archdale, lace; Mrs. Sherwen, lace; Anon., string bags; Miss Close, cloth cleaner; Anon., 3 small lace collars and old embroidered belt; Miss Lovibond, for materials fund, 1s. 6d.

Mrs. Cockedge, 12, Foxbourne Road, Balham, S.W., writes: Best thanks to those members who are arranging work parties. By kind permission of Mrs. Robinson, one will be held at 28, Vant Road, Tooting Graveney, on October 14, from 3 to 6 p.m. A good attendance is hoped for to-morrow, Saturday, at 12, Foxbourne Road. Gratefully acknowledged for 1s. fund, Mrs. Havers, 1s.; Anon. 1s.; also £1 as share from contributions to "Jumble Sale."

Prizes will be given by the Redhill Branch for the two most attractive sweet boxes decorated in the colours. Anyone wishing to compete should apply as soon as possible to the secretary, Mrs. Cather, Red Cottage, Cavendish Road, Redhill, for particulars.

Miss Williams, 1, Fitzwilliam Street West, Huddersfield, reports that Halifax and Huddersfield will co-operate with Leeds for the Christmas Fair, and will send articles for invalids, such as bed-jackets, writing-boards, bed socks, hot water bottle covers, and coal gloves. Halifax members may send their contributions to Dr. Helena Jones, 3, Rhodesia Avenue.

The Men's Political Union Fair Secretary, 13, Buckingham Street, Strand, reports that he already has the promise of rings for Christmas tree hoop-ls, but still requires small inexpensive articles, such as small boxes of choico.

## STALLS AND STALL SECRETARIES.

ART AND CRAFT STALL Miss Blacklock, 308, King's Road, Chelsea.  
 ANTIQUE STALL Mrs. Thomas, Llanwrn Park, Newport, Mon.  
 BASKETS AND BAGS Mrs. Malcolm Evans, 27, Queen's Road, Clifton, Bristol.  
 BLOUSE STALL Miss Jessie Pease, 347, Goswell Road, E.C.  
 BOOK STALL Miss Grales, 143, Church Street, Notting Hill Gate, W.  
 CHRISTMAS FARE AND FARM PRODUCE FLOWERS Mrs. Marshall, 59, York Street, Buckingham Gate, S.W.  
 CUSHIONS AND MATS (of all descriptions) The Hon. Mrs. Haverfield, 59, Prad Street, Paddington.  
 CHILDREN'S CLOTHING (1 to 5 years) Mrs. Lamartine Yates, 6, Victoria Crescent, Broadway, Wimbledon.  
 CURIOS AND BRIC-A-BRAC Miss Willison, 34, Ambleside Avenue, Streatham, S.W.  
 DRESSES, DJIBBAHS, & OVERALLS Miss Dorothy Pethick, 15, Bowling Green Street, Leicester.  
 GUESSING AND COMPETITION Mrs. Cameron-Swan, 2, Station Bldg, W. Croydon.  
 HOUSE LINEN Miss M. Phillips, 23, Hawthorn View, Chapel Allerton, Leeds.  
 HOUSEHOLD AND FURNISHING (Kitchen utensils, small articles of furniture) Mrs. Impey, 4, Whitnash Road, Mitcham, S.W.  
 JEWELLERY AND GLASS Miss Bertha Ryland, 27, John Bright Street, Birmingham.  
 LEAFLESS GLAZE (China) Mrs. Penn Gaskell, 418, High Road, Kilburn.  
 LACE, EMBROIDERY, & ART METAL WORK Miss Florence E. Cobb, 4, North St, Gundersen, Brighton.

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## TOY STALL

## UNDERCLOTHING

## WELSH STALL

## WOOLLEN STALL

## SPECIAL COLOUR STALL

## LITERATURE

## "VOTES FOR WOMEN"

Mrs. East, 21, Brandenburg Road, Chiswick.

Mrs. Mansel, Bayford Lodge, Wincanton, Somerset.

Mrs. Reginald Pott, 11, Scarsdale Villas, Kingston.

Mrs. Keeling, 24, Bishop's Mars, Fulham, S.W.

Mrs. Hicks, 173, Finchley Road, Hampstead.

Miss Hilda Gargett, 4, Stoward Road, Palmer's Green, N.

Mrs. Harverson, 8, Mayfield Road, Royns Park, Tunbridge Wells.

Miss Alice E. Worstold, 45, Bouverie Road West, Folkestone.

Miss Muriel Thompson, 2, Queens Gate, S.W. (1st 3 days).

Mrs. Cather, Red Cottage, Cavendish Road, Redhill (2nd 3 days).

Miss Leonora Tyson, 5, Shrubbery Road, Streatham, S.W.

Miss Nellie Crocker, 8, Carlton Street, Nottingham.

Mrs. Mackworth, Llanwrn Park, Newport, Mon.

Miss Flattman, 4, Orisk Road, Cheltenham.

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lates, bon-bons, home made toffee, cigarettes and other small things, suitable for throwing the rings over. The articles sent in must be able to fit into a ring 4 inches in diameter. Volunteers are required for this show. For the Punch and Judy show, a volunteer is required, who will take charge during the afternoon. Suffrage dialogues would also be welcome. Can any literary friends oblige? It is proposed to have a roundabout. Information as to where one can be obtained or hired cheaply will be gratefully received by the Secretary. It must not be more than 11ft. 6in. high, and 11ft. in diameter. Its means of locomotion is by a man running round inside. Anyone interested can if they wish see a sketch of it at the office. In conjunction with the Croydon W.S.P.U., a shooting range is being got up. Three air guns, ten lbs. of slugs, and 300 targets printed in purple, white and green are also wanted. Volunteers are also required for the shies. Anyone who can give any help or advice is asked to communicate with the secretary. Helpers are required for all the above schemes. It is hoped that members will volunteer their services for at least a part of each day. Those who cannot give their services can send a substitute or a donation either in money or in kind.

Miss Annie Kenney, 37, Queen's Road, Clifton, Bristol, writes:—I am most anxious that the West of England Stall should look the very best, have the largest stock, take the most money, and be a huge success financially. The following are a few of the things which should be done all over the West of England:—Sewing meetings weekly. Members to go to the shops in their districts (especially those shops they trade with), interview the managers or owners, tell them about the Fête and Fair, and ask them if they will kindly help by giving linen, silk or cotton to make bags with. Each member should also visit her dressmaker and milliner and ask for remnants. Secretaries should let me know as early as possible what work this branch is prepared to undertake and how much they will contribute towards the £200 worth of goods.

No article should be sold from any stall except as clear profit to the funds of the Union, and no agreement with manufacturers or others as to percentage can under any circumstances be allowed.

## THE REV. R. J. CAMPBELL.

In the course of an interview recently, the Rev. R. J. Campbell, M.A., said, "I am still in the deepest sympathy with the workers in their efforts to secure economic justice, and with women in their crusade for the emancipation of their sex."

## OUR POST BOX.

## THE N.U.T. AND VOTES.

To the Editors of VOTES FOR WOMEN.

Dear Editors,—In several letters in your late issues of VOTES FOR WOMEN attention has been called to the resolution of sympathy with the unfranchised women teachers which is being sent round for discussion at the Local Association of the N.U.T. In reference to this, I should like to warn teachers of a point which very probably will be overlooked. When the resolution has been passed, another resolution must be proposed, seconded, and passed, that the result of the discussion be sent up to the Executive of the N.U.T. If this is not done, the discussion is merely academic, and the Executive will not be notified whether the Local Association passed it or not. I should also like to point out what a good advertisement it would be for our cause to have the Press present at the discussion by the Local Association, and that this cannot be unless it is agreed to at the previous committee meeting.—Yours, etc.,

"STRAIGHTFORWARD."

To the Editors of VOTES FOR WOMEN.

Dear Editors,—May I suggest to all Suffragist N.U.T. members that they read Miss Emily Davison's letter which appeared in last week's *Schoolmaster*. This number also contains a letter from Mr. Gronno, to which Miss Davison's arguments are a conclusive reply. The point dealt with may be helpful at the quarterly association meeting.—Yours, etc.,

FLORENCE M. RUSSELL.

## WHO PAID?

To the Editors of VOTES FOR WOMEN.

Dear Editors,—Some weeks ago a pamphlet, signed by Mr. A. Gronno, was sent by post to individual members of the N.U.T. It commenced by attacking the Executive of the N.U.T. for passing a resolution sympathising with those women who were denied the suffrage on account of their sex alone, and also for sending this resolution to the local associations for their consideration, with a view to its discussion at the next Conference. After arguing that this was not in accordance with the objects of the Union, and exhorting teachers not to allow their Union to be captured for political purposes, the writer launched out into a tirade against the question of Woman Suffrage itself, and hinted at diabolical schemes in the inner councils of the Woman Suffrage Societies. (N.B. Why no exposure of these hidden mysteries?) The writer then gave the address of the National Union for Opposing Woman Suffrage, and invited those interested to send one shilling for literature on the subject. Bearing in mind the above facts, what conclusion is one driven to, as to the true significance of this pamphlet? And realising also the necessarily great cost of its publication and circulation, I should like to ask who instigated the pamphlet, and who bore the cost of production, publication, and circulation?—Yours, etc.,

A. O'NEILL.

## MEETING AT WOKING.

It will be remembered that the M.P. for Woking, before his election, coquetted with the idea of Votes for Women, but immediately after his return to Parliament declared himself an anti-suffragist, and quite recently made a rash statement to the effect that the question of Woman Suffrage was practically dead in his constituency. One wonders if he really knew anything whatever about his constituents? For judging by the meeting held in the Public Hall on Monday evening, October 2, the question is very much alive. The audience was thoroughly representative of the district, and though every seat was charged for there was not an empty place in the meeting, and a large number of people were turned away from the doors. Among those present were the Ranees of Sarawak, the Prince and Princess Mettarnich, R. Holling, Esq., J.P., and the Deputy-Lieutenant of the County. A correspondent writes:—"Mrs. Pankhurst's touching words and convincing arguments appealed to all classes alike, and it was instructive to watch the gradual change of expression on the faces of her listeners, curiosity giving place to serious attention, and finally to sympathetic respect. Her personality, so familiar to members of the W.S.P.U., and so well beloved by them, and the unconscious dignity of her earnest and simple bearing, made an immediate impression. Although of a fragile appearance, iron determination was apparent in the lines of her mouth as she warmed to her subject, and every now and again her eyes, so full of pathos and humanity, would blaze with righteous indignation. But more than anything else, her beautiful low-pitched voice went straight to the hearts of the hearers." Dr. Ethel Smyth, the famous composer, made an ideal chairman, and her "March of the Women" was sung as a solo at the close of the meeting by Lady Sybil Smith (accompanied on the piano by the Ranees of Sarawak) in such an inspiring and convincing manner that the audience, armed with gratis copies of the words, picked up the melody and repeated the whole song with great ease and obvious enjoyment. The organisers of the meeting, Dr. Ethel Smyth and Mrs. R. W. Skipwith, and all who helped so splendidly in advertising the meeting, are to be congratulated upon the success which attended their efforts. Among other means which they adopted of acquainting the neighbourhood of the meeting was a special poster parade on Saturday evening, in which both the organisers themselves and Lady Sybil Smith took part. The streets were thronged with townspeople, and everywhere they were greeted with respectful interest.

The feeling of the meeting can be gauged by the fact that the collection amounted to over £18, and including the sale of tickets the proceeds amounted to £55 15s. 11½d.

## THE LIVERY OF HER HUSBAND.

To the Editors of VOTES FOR WOMEN.

Dear Editors,—Propagandists are not prone to be hypercritical of facts or fancies which seem to support their thesis, and in *VOTES FOR WOMEN* (of September 22), there occurs a statement which, I fear, will afford a ready handle to the Philistines. The writer says, in speaking of the position of a married woman:—"The very clothing that she wears is not her own, but the livery of her husband." This is the direct contrary of the truth and has been so since the Married Women's Property Act of 1882. The fact that the wife's clothes are bought with money given to her by her husband does not prevent the clothes, when bought, from becoming her absolute property. The husband has no right to them (see the case of *Masson, Templier and Co. v. de Fries* 1909, 2 K. B. 831). Of course the law does not prevent a husband and wife from making a special arrangement about any particular article. Thus the wife may allow her husband to wear a ring which nevertheless remains her own property; so, also, the husband may make a similar loan to his wife—on exactly the same terms as if they were mere friends. This is clearly laid down by Lord Justice Farwell in the above mentioned case; he says (at p. 839) —

"If a husband buys a piece of old lace, he may give it to his wife on the terms that she does not part with it without his permission, but this arrangement would have to be proved by evidence as a matter of fact; it would have to be proved that the condition was imposed, or that the bargain was in fact made just as if the parties were not husband and wife but strangers."

The reform needed is that a faithful wife should have a legal right to demand (and sue for) a certain proportion of her husband's income for her personal use. As the law stands at present, the wife is of course, in a far worse position than a menial servant, and can only exact her just demands by wheedling or broomstick, as the case may require. But it is not even sentimentally true, that a wife wears "the livery of her husband." Even the Common Law, in the depths of its barbarity, considered (as an old law-book quaintly says) that "she ought not to be naked or exposed to shame or cold."—Yours, etc.,

N. H. OLDHAM,

of the Inner Temple, Barrister-at-Law.  
1, New Square, Lincoln's Inn.

[We thank Mr. Oldham for his correction. Mrs. Pethick Lawrence's statement was based on the original decision of the County Court Judge in the case which he quotes. This decision was to the effect that the clothes in question were the property of the husband. Mrs. Pethick Lawrence was not aware that the judgment had been appealed against and had been reversed on appeal.—Editors, *VOTES FOR WOMEN*.]

People are apt to think that man received woman from God solely in order that he might make a sock of her.—M. C. BOUVIER.



## U.S. GOVERNORS AT A SUFFRAGE MEETING.

A momentous meeting took place in New York on September 16, when the Governors of the "five Suffrage States" (Idaho, Wyoming, Utah, Colorado and Washington), and the Governor of South Dakota, attended a mass meeting of the Women's Political Union. There was a full and enthusiastic audience, over which Mrs. Stanton Blatch presided. Among those present were Dr. Anna Shaw, the National Suffrage President, and Mrs. John Winter Brauman, whose daughter sold papers in London for the W.S.P.U. quite recently.

It was interesting to note that while the five Governors from the "Suffrage States" said they would have had to be present at the meeting, whether they wished to or not, as otherwise they would have "heard from their people," Governor Vessey, of South Dakota, said that no one cared whether he came or not. He came, however, because he did not see why his wife had not as much right to a vote as he had, and because, though South Dakota was not a Woman Suffrage State, it was practically controlled by a lady Governor during his absence. This lady, he explained, was his secretary, who was "so clever that you could hardly find a man who is her equal, and yet she has no vote." Another very interesting point about this meeting was that Governor Shafroth, of Colorado, spoke in sympathetic terms of the "gallant fight of the women in Great Britain." The Women's Political Union as the *New York Times* explains, stands for the English Suffragettes, and the paper reminds its readers that Mrs. Pankhurst is soon to speak in New York under its auspices, and that the members of the Union, acting as sandwich-women, selling papers in the streets, and posting up bills, have used more advanced methods in Suffrage work than any other organisation in America.

Governor Hawley said there was no "freak legislation" in the Suffrage States; if there were, women should not be allowed to vote, and he added: "I believe in women who are motherly women, who are true sisters and true wives, women who believe that home is the most sacred place on earth. (Applause.) We can give women like that the franchise without fear. The home has made the nation what it is. "It is not now what California or Oregon will say about giving women the vote, but what the nation will do. It has entered the homes and the hearts of the people. It is bound to come, and it is too good a thing to put a barrier in the way of it."

Governor Shafroth, of Colorado, won the hearts of his audience. As readers of *VOTES FOR WOMEN* know, he believes in the methods of the English women. When he spoke, says the *New York Times*, the Political Union banners of purple and green and white seemed to wave of themselves, and the women's faces were wreathed in smiles.

He said, "I don't think the men who talk about the Suffrage movement across the water know exactly what they are talking about—those women who have made such a gallant fight in Great Britain. (Applause.) It is a legitimate thing to present a petition. I wonder what men would have done under the same circumstances. There would not have been left a single stone standing in the House of Parliament. It would have been the same here if the Senate and the House of Representatives had refused to receive a petition. It stirs the blood—I don't believe in violence, but I think what the women have done in Europe and the United States is tame to what the men would have done under similar circumstances."

"I place my demand for Woman Suffrage on common justice," said Governor Carey. "The man who is afraid to give his mother, wife, and daughter the same right as himself is a coward. (Great applause.) He is afraid of their power and influence. The vote in the West has not changed social conditions—there is no trouble between husbands and wives. I don't know of a single husband who has made his wife vote as he wanted her to, nor one wife who has made her husband change his vote."

Governor Hay (Washington) said: "I come from a female Suffrage State and I know what I am talking about. Not one in twenty-five thought it would be carried; but it was 2 to 1."

"I don't know much about Washington," said Mrs. Blatch, "but I do know that two of the workers there were trained under Mrs. Pankhurst!"

## BRAVO, GOVERNOR HAY.

The question of Woman's Suffrage was discussed recently at the State Government Convention, at Spring Lake, New Jersey, and received considerable support. According to the *Northern Whig*, Governor Hay, of Washington, declared that his State would never have been able to "rout the grafters" without the women's votes. "Whatever they know about politics," said the Governor, "a woman's intuition is invariably right, and in a few years every State will give them the franchise."

## THE EMPLOYMENT OF BARMAIDS.

Men and women employed behind the bar are uniting together to obtain better conditions for their labour. Speaking at a great meeting of the newly-constituted National Union of Bar Assistants on September 17, Miss Mary MacArthur said she was glad the initiation of the movement had brought such magnificent results. In a very short time they had secured two thousand members, and within a few weeks she was confident there would be a great many more.

She would like to have seen more barmaids present. There had been a movement against the employment of barmaids altogether, but she was not in favour of it. It was all very well to say that the women in bars were subject to temptations. The same might be said of women in every branch of industry. If women were to go into industry at all, she did not think it was possible to wrap them in cotton wool. The remedy against women cutting down wages was to get them to unite alongside the men. She was simply horrified at the result of her inquiries into the hours and other conditions of barmen and barmaids. In some respects they were even worse off than the domestic servant of whose woes they heard so much. If they ever had to fight organised labour would be on their side, but unions did not exist to cause strikes, and with a properly organised society they would have every chance of improving their conditions by other means.

## MRS. NAPOLITANO.

We are glad to see that the women of Austria are joining in the petition for the release of Angelina Napolitano, the unhappy woman who murdered her husband in self-defence. *Neues Frauenleben*, the monthly organ of the women's movement, refers to the petition, for which the W.S.P.U. collected, within one week, 9,000 signatures, against the death sentence. Our Viennese contemporary issues the English form of petition for a full pardon, and begs for signatures.

## PUBLIC-SPIRITED BRISTOL.

Bristol and the West of England are to be congratulated on their public spirit and on their business-like capacity. For some years they have had the inspiration of Miss Annie Kenney's presence amongst them as organiser, with her headquarters in Bristol. The secret of her success has been largely due to the splendid band of capable, efficient and dependable voluntary workers that have undertaken the various departments of the work. The character of the movement in the West of England suggested to headquarters that Miss Annie Kenney might now be withdrawn in order that she might break up new ground and carry the inspiration of her presence to other parts of England which need her help. The Bristol members have responded in the most generous and public-spirited way to the suggestion, and have formed themselves into various committees for work. Amongst these committees they have formed the Finance Committee, which has made itself responsible for raising all the funds necessary to carry on the campaign. Mrs. Dove Wilcox has become the Hon. Secretary, and Mrs. Young the Treasurer of the Bristol W.S.P.U., and the Bristol workers will still extend their help to all the smaller local organisations in the West of England. We heartily wish them all success, and are confident that they will carry on and develop the work with ever-increasing efficiency and ever-broadening results.

## THE BATHFORD CASE.

In *VOTES FOR WOMEN* for July 21 reference was made to the case of a man who, on a charge of causing the death of his illegitimate child, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment in the second division. Owing to the interest taken in the case, the editor of the *Bath Herald*, in which full reports appeared, has been unable to meet the demand for copies of his paper. We therefore give a brief summary of the case. The indictment was against W. G. Lavington, of Bathford, for killing a little child of fourteen days on January 31, 1911. Police evidence having been given, a remand of eight days was granted, and on February 8, at the request of the Home Office, a further remand of a week was granted. On February 15 a further charge was added—namely, that of disposing of the body in order to prevent the coroner holding an inquest. The story, as told in court, was that Lavington, a publican's son, aged twenty-four, had been keeping company with a girl of eighteen, who was in service, Lily Gertrude Goodhind. A child was born, and the father called for it on January 31 and took it away in a fish basket. The baby was quite healthy. The mother was unwilling to part with it, but Lavington persuaded her that he had found a home for it, and that he was going to take it to a Mrs. Brown at Twerton. Instead, however, of going to Twerton, Lavington hired a taxi-cab and drove in an opposite direction. In his statement to the police he said: "I was going to take the baby into my sister's for her to look after it that night and then take it to Mrs. Hobbs at Twerton in the morning. After the taxi broke down I carried the child in my arms. I didn't hear it cry or make any noise. I thought it was dead. I put a stone about 21 lbs. in the basket and dropped it over the bridge, the side nearest Bathford near the park. . . . After the baby was dead I did not know what to do with it. I must have been mad." After another week's adjournment of the case the prisoner was committed for trial at the Assizes, bail being allowed in the sum of £25 and two sureties of £25. The trial came on on Thursday, June 8.

After hearing the evidence, the judge said the accused was charged with manslaughter by negligence. The difference between ordinary negligence and criminal negligence must be distinct. In the first case it was not necessary that any moral blame should be involved. In the second case it was necessary that some amount of moral blame should be attached to the act. Therefore, the question for the jury was, having regard to the way the child perished, to say whether the prisoner's conduct involved any moral blame or censure. The question was entirely a matter of fact. They had to decide whether he discharged his responsibility. There was no doubt he did not discharge it fully, but what they would have to decide was whether what he had done was due to heedless inadvertence or ignorance, or to culpable negligence. If they found the latter he would be guilty of manslaughter. The jury found the prisoner guilty, but recommended him to mercy "on account of ignorance and inexperience." The prosecution withdrew the second charge (that of disposing of the body to prevent the holding of an inquest). The judge, in passing sentence, said: "William John Lavington, there are elements of grave suspicion connected with this case, and it is difficult to clear those suspicions away from my mind. But I am going to do so because I ought to do so, and because in the circumstances of the case these suspicions have not been proved; otherwise if they had been proved, you would be standing in that dock accused of the gravest crime known to the law. I dismiss that from my mind for a set purpose. I also accept the finding of the jury and their rider recommending you to mercy. I am quite persuaded that the crime, or anything like it, will never happen again. But the law must protect the sanctity of infant life. The sentence, therefore, of the court upon you is that you be imprisoned in the second division for six months."

In the article by Mrs. Pethick Lawrence in *VOTES FOR WOMEN* for July 21, the sentence in this case was contrasted with some sentences passed upon women, and special attention was drawn to the case of Mary Ann Nash, who was sentenced to penal servitude for life on very dubious evidence.

## "MAN AND SUPERMAN."

Visitors to the Criterion Theatre are certain of an evening's fun so long as "Man and Superman" lasts. The "first nighters" were enthusiastic last Thursday from the opening scene to the climax, and Mr. Robert Lorraine was obliged to say a few words of thanks in response to repeated calls before the curtain. It would be unfair to make comparisons between Miss Pauline Chase and Miss Lillah McCarthy; we will only say that the clever little actress of "The Boy Who Never Grew Up" was pretty and sweet as ever, but that these qualities are by no means all that Mr. Shaw's Anne Whitfield possessed. Mr. Edmund Gwenn as "Enery Straker" was delightful, as in the old Court days. Miss Doris Iynton was a fine Violet Robinson, and all the acting was good. The play is announced for a short run, so go quickly! Mr. Lorraine alone, a breezy, sane John Tanner, is enough to cure the most incurable fit of the blues—if Suffragettes ever have that complaint!

Mrs. B. A. Eugenie, the Parsee lady, who recently took her LL.B. degree at Bombay University, is the second Parsee lady to enter the legal profession, the first being Miss Cornelia Serabjee, who was called to the Bar at the Middle Temple. She lectured recently in London.



THE W.S.P.U. SHOP AT 47, ROSEMARY ROAD, CLACTON-ON-SEA.

(See page 7.)

## TEACHERS AND WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

We are glad to see that the Liverpool Teachers' Association at a largely-attended meeting on September 8 conducted a vigorous discussion on the subject of women's enfranchisement. At the conclusion of the debate it was resolved that a motion would be placed in the name of the Branch on the agenda of the National Union of Teachers' Conference to be held next Easter.

## WORK GIRLS' "WAGES."

The case of a girl who could be fined 2s. 6d. out of her weekly wage of 7s., her only crime being that she danced to a harp during her dinner hour, was cited at the Trades Union Congress at Newcastle. Another case, given by Miss Mary MacArthur, was that of a girl worker who found that after fines and deductions for the week had been made, instead of drawing any money, she owed her employers 3s. 9d.

## THE PAPER IN S. AFRICA.

Our readers will be interested to know that *VOTES FOR WOMEN* is now on sale at the bookstalls of the railway stations in S. Africa. At one small station the original order was for three copies. A correspondent informs us that two minutes after the mail came in two of these had already been sold. Evidently our South African cousins do not want to be left behind!

## WELSH ACTIVITY.

The Cymric Union, of which Mrs. Mansel Moulton is the vice-president, is to be congratulated on the splendid work that it has done since its inception. Readers of *VOTES FOR WOMEN* will be most interested in the report which appears on page 15. All this Welsh activity in favour of votes for women must make Mr. Lloyd George think, for many of these people are Radicals and his enthusiastic supporters!

## ANOTHER MILESTONE!

The closing days of September have brought in a splendid list of new subscribers, the result of promises made by members some little time ago, and another thousand has been completed. Congratulations are due especially to Miss Raleigh, who was one of many members to promise to get three new subscribers. She now sends in the grand total of thirty-five, many of them for nine months. Holidays are over, but there are yet many opportunities of gaining new subscribers among the friends and acquaintances met with during one's daily pursuits!

## September 25 to 30.

Already acknowledged	727	Mrs. H. Maitland	2	Mrs. Doman	2
Miss E. K. Adderley	1	Miss Milholland	1	Miss Gibbes	1
Mrs. Bowker	3	Mrs. Mansell Moulin	1	Mrs. Bowker	2
Miss Bowker	1	Miss H. B. Pringle	1	Miss Barr	2
Miss A. M. Bain	1	Miss N. Parks	1	Miss L. Hall	1
Mrs. Cameron Swan	1	Mrs. J. H. Russell	2	Miss L. Angow	3
Miss B. Churchill	2	Miss Raleigh	35	Mrs. Cameron Swan	3
Miss C. Cottrell	1	Miss M. Stok	2	Miss Frielander	1
Miss M. Dwyer	1	Miss H. Stover	1	Mrs. Coultate	1
Mrs. A. Coultate	2	Mrs. Symons	6	Mrs. H. M. Beckett	3
Mrs. Y. Cumberts	1	Miss M. J. Smith	1	Misses A. M. and B. Mann	4
Mrs. Crow	3	Miss M. Taylor	1	Mrs. E. K. Russell	1
Miss F. E. Cooke	1	Miss Underhill	1	Miss B. L. Anderson	2
Mrs. H. K. Dwyer	1	Miss M. Winter	1	Miss A. Myer	3
Mrs. Dennett	1	Miss A. M. Warren	2	Miss L. Mort	1
Mrs. Eglinton	1	Miss B. W. Wilson	2	Miss G. S. Hardy	1
Mrs. Flahman	1	Miss A. I. Wilson	2	Miss B. Douth	6
Mrs. G. Grant	1			Miss M. Baldwin	2
Miss Politt	1			Miss Way	1
Mrs. A. Hilton	2		525	Mrs. Hughes	2
Mrs. Hopley	1			Miss Way	1
Mrs. Hughes	1			Miss Hughes	2
Mrs. Harbord	1	New readers who obtain their		Miss M. J. Smith	2
Miss I. Jones	1	names from local advocates		Mrs. A. Knight	2
Miss G. Knight	1	Already acknowledged	334		
Miss A. Martin	1	MP			

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## PIT BROW WOMEN DEMAND THE VOTE.

A meeting to protest against the abolition of the work of women at the pit-brow, which is threatened by a clause inserted at the instance of Sir Arthur Markham in the Coal Mines Regulation Bill now before the House of Commons, and also to demand the franchise for women, was held in the Albert Hall, Manchester, on Tuesday night. It was organised by the Lancashire and Cheshire Women Textile and other Workers Representation Committee, the National Professional and Industrial Women's Suffrage Society, and the Manchester and Salford Women's Trades and Labour Council. Sixty or seventy pit-brow women from Lancashire pits attended in their working costumes, and had a very hearty reception from the audience. Mrs. Alfred Haworth presided, and the Mayor and Mayoress of Wigan (Mr. and Mrs. S. Wood), who have taken a great interest in the women's case, were present.

Mrs. Alfred Haworth summarised the leading events, including the deputation to the Home Secretary, described in *VOTES FOR WOMEN* for August 11, 1911, which led up to this meeting. The amendment, affecting the work of between 5,000 and 6,000 women, was passed by 15 votes to 13 before any organised protest could be made against it, and unless they could secure its defeat in the House of Commons this prohibition would become law next month.

Miss Roper proposed and Miss Gore-Booth seconded the following resolution:—

"This meeting protests against any legislation that abolishes, restricts, or in any way interferes with the work of pit-brow women and thereby deprives them of a means of earning a decent livelihood. Their work is neither too rough nor too heavy, alertness and skill being the qualities most necessary for the worker. They have already an eight-hour day, and the conditions of open-air work are healthy. This meeting also demands the protection of the franchise for working women as the only possible means by which they can adequately defend their right to work and their industrial interests."

### The Mayor of Wigan.

The Mayor of Wigan, in supporting the resolution, said he was obliged to the promoters of the meeting for the opportunity of saying a word on behalf of the pit-brow girls whose occupation was threatened by some of the "busybodies" in Parliament. The work of the pit-brow woman had been described by Mr. Stephen Walsh, M.P., who had thirty years' knowledge of the mines, as the lightest physical labour which one could possibly be put to. Quite recently he himself made a surprise visit to a number of collieries in his district where from four to five hundred girls were engaged, and of that number he found only three handling the tubs. This was the heaviest work they did, and it was not nearly so formidable as it appeared to the onlooker who had no knowledge of the work. What had these women done that they were to be prevented from continuing in an employment which suited them, which was healthy, and which enabled them to lead respectable lives? At a public meeting of pit-brow girls, held in August at Wigan, when upwards of 1,500 were present, he found that over 300 were girls who had worked in the cotton mill and had been compelled for health's sake to give up mill work and seek work on the pit-brow. As to the present position, it was extremely fortunate that Mr. Masterman had a complete knowledge of the women and their work, and with his support and the assistance of the Home Secretary there was every reason to believe that Sir Arthur Markham's amendment would be refused by the House of Commons. But much remained to be done in converting the members of the House of Commons to the view expressed by Mr. Masterman. (Applause.)

### Let me go to the House of Commons!

Several of the pit-brow women put their case to the meeting. Mrs. Andrews, a healthy-looking woman of middle age, speaking with an entire absence of self-consciousness, told how she had worked at a colliery for thirty-six years. She was very emphatic on the healthiness of the work. A lot feel a lot healthier and aw eat a lot better when aw'm on t' brew. It's good exercise for a woman; it puts both muscle and bone into her. Girls had come "to t' brew fro't mill half-dead," and before they had been working there six months "they could eat anything." They made a lot of fuss about coal-dust. She had "etten mony a pound o' coal-dust," and she felt no worse for it—at any rate, she never needed physic. It was a "very bad shame to stop t' women," and it would cause a great deal of poverty. What were they to do? Them who were so keen about their welfare wouldn't keep 'um, sh' reckoned, when they were turned away. "Let me go't House o' Parliament and aw'd tell 'um," said Mrs. Andrews, with an expressive flourish of the arms. "Aw've worked honestly for thirty-six years, aw goes to t' Sunday schoo' every Sunday, and aw say t' pit-brow women are proper and reet. They can

behave themselves as well as anybody else." A very determined clapping of hands by her companions behind showed how the pit-brow women resent some of the things which have been said about their moral environment.

Miss Morgan, a pit-brow girl who has interested herself in ambulance work, and who rendered conspicuous service at the Pretoria pit disaster last year, told the same story. She had had ten years' experience at the Hulton collieries, and the girls there could show as good a character "as any lady in the land." They were a decent and honourable set, and they had "every bit as good an opportunity of being a Christian as what a girl had in any other sphere of work."

Mrs. Disney, who has worked on the brow for twenty-three years, said she enjoyed her work. To turn women away from the brow would be a very serious thing for many families. In some cases there were three or four women of the same family working on the brow, and she did not know what would happen if their wages were cut off.

Mrs. McHugh, a bent old woman, said to be seventy-three, said she had come "just to show herself" and to let people know that a great-grandmother was able to work among the coal yet. The *Manchester Guardian*, from which our report is taken, notes that Mrs. McHugh, who is an Irishwoman, was the most eloquent of the four. She called down black shame on the men "who wants to deprive us of getting a living," and prophesied that they would realise their mistake when they had to face their constituents. They were bringing "desolation and bad luck on our labour," and she had no patience with them.

### An Expert's Evidence.

Miss King May, of Manchester, who is an expert in physical exercises and who gave up her Easter holiday four years ago to work on the pit-brow at Wigan to test the suitability of the employment for women, said that from the physical standpoint she considered it almost an ideal occupation. The pit-brow workers were one of the finest bodies of women workers she had ever met. She had seen nothing whatever to find fault with in their morale, and it was ridiculous for members of Parliament to talk about the danger of their environment when that environment was made up of their own fathers and brothers. (Applause.)

The Mayoress of Wigan also supported the resolution, which was carried unanimously. Votes of thanks were passed to the Mayor and Mayoress of Wigan and to Mrs. Haworth.

### MEETING AT DERBY.

A most successful meeting in favour of Women's Suffrage was held in the Temperance Hall, Derby, on Monday, September 25. Mrs. Henry Boden presided, and the speakers were Lady Willoughby de Broke and Dr. Saleeby. Lady Willoughby de Broke said that the Conciliation Bill was the one measure that had united Suffragists in Parliament whatever their party, and it was accepted by Suffragists outside of Parliament whatever their tactics. It was a compromise, but it was a practical solution. The position of women without a vote was a feeble one, and, if proof were needed, the treatment of women under the Insurance Bill was enough to convince an Anti-Suffragist. Dr. Saleeby said that he was interested in Women's Suffrage as a Eugenicist. The worth of a nation was the development of life. Men had begun at the outside of the circle with sanitation, factory laws, national education, and now they were trying to prevent infantile mortality. But Eugenicists saw that there was one stage further beyond the infant and that was the expectant mother. He believed that national education had been a failure because women had not been consulted. Again, any man who wanted information about the treatment of the feeble-minded had to apply to one of three women, Miss Kirby, Miss Dendy, or Mrs. Pinsent. In the solution of the real problem that faced the nation the voice of women was needed, and on behalf of race culture he strongly supported Woman Suffrage. The meeting was organised by the National Union of Women's Suffrage Societies, but the other Suffrage Societies joined in supporting it.

### BOOKS RECEIVED.

"The Imperial British Empire." By Stuart Helps. Durban, Natal: P. Davis and Sons.  
 "The Calendar of the London School of Economics and Political Science." London School of Economics. 1s. net.  
 "Speaking in Public." By Charles Seymour. London: The Speakers' Library. 3s. net.  
 "The Borough Polytechnic Institute, 1911-12."  
 "The Work of the Divorce Law Union, 1911-12."  
 "Home Rule in a Nutshell." By Jeremiah MacVeagh, M.P. Dublin: Sealy, Bryers and Walker. 3d. net.  
 "Fellow Prisoners." By R. K. Weeks. London: Alston Rivers, Ltd. 6s.  
 "The Political Status of Women." By Bertha Remburgh. London: Putnam and Sons. \$1 net.

## CAMPAIGN THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY.

Members are reminded that the autumn work is now in full swing, and each one is urged to give every moment she can spare to helping her local union. No one must stand aside during the next twelve months' work.

### W.S.P.U. GENERAL OFFICES: 4, CLEMENTS INN, STRAND, W.C.

Secretaries are reminded that an important meeting will be held at 4, Clements Inn, next Monday, October 9, at 6 p.m., when a full attendance is requested.

### BARNET.

Hon. Sec.—Miss Susan Watt, 13, Stratford Road.

A very good open-air meeting was addressed by Miss Haslam in the Market Place on Friday last. The canvass of women ratepayers was begun last week with encouraging results. Volunteers will still be welcomed by the secretary. Members who have not already done so are requested to write to above address stating what they can contribute towards the Hertfordshire stall at the Christmas Fair. Contributions towards the 5s. Fund should be forwarded to Miss Maud Macoe, "Selborne," Hadley Highstone, Barnet. Friends are asked to do their utmost to sell tickets for the Ewen Hall meeting on October 24, when Mrs. Bradford and Mr. Laurence Housman will speak and the Hon. Mrs. Haverfield will take the chair. Admission free. Reserved seats, 1s. and 6d., may be booked at above address and at "Cowing's Library," High Street, Barnet.

### CAMBERWELL AND DULWICH.

Hon. Sec.—Mrs. J. D. Westbrook, 65, Calton Road, Dulwich Village, S.E.

In spite of the cold and the rival attraction of an adjacent meeting addressed by the M.P. for the district, Dr. Gordon Clark had a good meeting on Peckham Rye on Sunday last. Members who were not at the business meeting are requested to communicate with the Secretary if they are able to help with work for the Christmas Fair.

### CROYDON.

Office—2, Station Buildings, West Croydon. Tel. 923 Croydon (Nat.). Hon. Sec.—Mrs. Cameron-Swan and Miss Leslie Hall.

The Dutch Market arranged in aid of local funds will take place to-morrow (Saturday) (see Programme). Much help will be needed in the decoration of the hall in the morning. Gifts of cakes and biscuits for the Tea Stall will be welcomed. Miss Oester is heartily thanked and congratulated upon the success of her drawing-room meeting held on September 29. Mrs. Cameron-Swan and Captain Gonne addressed a splendid audience with the greatest success. Gratefully acknowledged:—Mrs. Ackroyd, £1 2s.; Miss Smith, 15s.

### EALING.

Hon. Sec.—Mrs. Finlay, 35, Warwick Road. Mrs. Fraser Forbes, 72, Argyle Road.

Indoor meetings are being arranged and all energies are concentrated on the forthcoming Jumble Sale, which is to take place on Friday and Saturday, October 27 and 28. Mrs. Francis has kindly consented to have it held at her place, 108, Northcroft Road. Members and friends are requested to send at once any contributions, large or small, to above address, or signify by post to Mrs. F. M. Finlay (35, Warwick Road) that they are willing to contribute and she will arrange that the contributions are collected.

### GREENWICH, DEPTFORD & WOOLWICH.

Hon. Sec.—Miss R. M. Billingham, 7, Oakcroft Road, Blackheath, S.E.

Miss Pankhurst's meeting in the Town Hall, Woolwich, has been unavoidably postponed until Monday, November 6. Members can have tickets on sale or return from the hon. sec. or from the Flower Office, 3, New Road, Woolwich. Successful meetings were held last Friday and Saturday, when Mrs. H. Leigh

(chair, Miss Gregory) and Miss Miss Myers (chair, Miss Clifford) spoke. Members and friends are urged to assist at the forthcoming meetings (see Programme), selling the paper and distributing bills. More jumble parcels are needed and should be sent to the hon. sec.

### HACKNEY.

Office—75, Lower Clapton Road. Hon. Sec.—Mrs. J. W. Jones, 25, Farnbury Road.

The autumn indoor campaign opens to-day (Friday), when the first of the evening meetings will be addressed by Miss Nancy Lightman. The subject will be "The Present Political Situation as Regards Woman Suffrage." Members and friends are asked to attend in large numbers, and take part in the discussion. The date of the Jumble Sale has been provisionally fixed for October 27, and goods should be sent to either of the above addresses. Members and friends should also note that a sewing meeting is held every Tuesday evening from 6 to 9 p.m. (see Programme). Orders for needlework of all kinds are taken. Preparations are being made for a canvass of the district. Workers are urgently needed, and should communicate with the secretary.

### HAMPSTEAD.

Shop and Office—178, Finchley Road. Hon. Secs.—Mrs. Hicks and Miss C. Collier.

Contributions to the Jumble Sale may be sent either to 178, Finchley Road, or 35, Downside Crescent. A friend has given a lady's bicycle for sale. It is in very fair condition; offers will be welcomed. Don't forget the work party to-night (Friday). Acknowledged with thanks: Miss A. F. Smith, £1 5s.; Miss G. Hall, 5s.; Mrs. Adair Roberts, £1 6s.; Mrs. Weaver, £1 6s.; Miss Estall, 5s.; Mrs. Dicks, £1; Mrs. Puz, 1s.

### ILFORD.

Hon. Sec.—Miss Haslam, 63, Cranbrook Road.

There was a good attendance at the business meeting on Tuesday. Miss Patmore kindly agreed to take up the organisation of the work meetings. The first is being held on Thursday, October 5, at above address at 8 p.m. On Wednesday, Miss M. Harvey addressed an interested crowd at Manor Park, and on Saturday, in spite of the cold weather, a number of people assembled to hear Miss Lennox. A great many signatures were obtained for the Margaret Murphy petition. Tickets for Albert Hall, 6d., are on sale.

### ISLINGTON.

Office—347, Goswell Road, E.C. Hon. Sec.—Miss E. M. Casserley.

Will members please come forward to help with the canvass of women householders in South Islington? The first meeting, which is the outcome of Miss Roch's canvassing, will be held at the office on October 12. This work can well be done on Saturday afternoons. If every member will give an afternoon monthly, it will be a great help.

### KENSINGTON.

Shop and Office—143, Church Street, Kensington W. Tel., 2115 Western. Hon. Sec.—Miss Evelyn Sharp.

The following have undertaken to help in the canvass of South Kensington women householders, which has now begun: Miss Brackenbury, the Hon. Mrs. Forbes, Mrs. McKeown, Mrs. Morrison, Miss Ross, Miss Watter and Miss S. Wylie. Those who cannot canvass are asked to deliver letters and to do their utmost to secure drawing-room meetings in the constituency. Miss S. Wylie has secured another six months' subscription to the paper while selling on the pitch. Miss Chiles has made a start with her work as Exhibition Secretary and will be glad to receive offers of books and money. Miss Garrett Anderson, M.D., is warmly thanked for having headed the subscription list for the Kensington stall (school) with 22s. Members helped to swell the protest meeting held outside Mr. Laurence Housman's studio on the occasion of Miss Housman's arrest and sold many papers in the crowd. Thanks to the following for Jumbles: The Hon. Mrs. Forbes, Mrs. Edmond Garrett, Mrs. Hart-Dyke, Miss M. Marsden, Miss B. Sharp, Miss L. Vane, and others.

## LONDON MEETINGS FOR THE FORTHCOMING WEEK.

October.			
Friday, 6.	Croydon, Katherine Street.	Miss Leslie Hall, Miss Hardy	8 p.m.
" "	Hackney Baths, Mare Street, N.E.	Miss Nancy Lightman	8 p.m.
" "	Hampstead, 178, Finchley Road	Working Party	8 to 10 p.m.
" "	Harrow Road, Prince of Wales (outside)		
" "	Harrington, 6, Burgoyne Road	Mrs. Kranich. Chair: Mrs. Fagg	8 p.m.
" "	New Barnet, The Triangle	Miss Oather, Miss Gargitt	8 p.m.
" "	Streatham, 37, Drowsdale Road	Miss Theodora Bonwick	8 p.m.
" "	Sydenham, High Street	Working Party	3 to 6 p.m.
" "		Miss Miss Myers. Chair: Miss Downing	8 p.m.
" "	Woolwich, Beresford Square	Miss Dodd	7.30 p.m.
Saturday, 7	Balham, 12, Foxbourne Road	Working Party	3 to 6 p.m.
" "	Croydon, Brathwaite Hall	Dutch Market	3.30 p.m.
" "	Crouch End, Clock Tower	Miss Hicks, M.A.	8 p.m.
" "	Ilford, Balfour Road	Miss Naylor	8 p.m.
" "	Islington, Parkington Street	Mr. B. V. Clarke, Mr. A. L. Casserley	8 p.m.
" "	Lewisham, 32, Mount Pleasant Road	Committee Meeting	3 p.m.
" "	Palmer's Green, Alderman's Hill	Miss Hopkins. Chair, Mr. Victor Prout	7.30 p.m.
" "	Richmond, Fire Station	Chair: Miss Casey	8 p.m.
" "	Wandsworth, near Council House	Miss Myers	7.30 p.m.
" "	Walthamstow, Foot of Second Avenue	Miss Guthrie	7.30 p.m.
" "	Wimbledon Broadway	Miss Lennox, Miss Fagg	7 p.m.
" "	Woolwich, Milner Road	Miss R. Charles	7.30 p.m.
Sunday, 8	Battersea Park	Mrs. Lamartine Yates	3 p.m.
" "	Clapham, Tram Terminus	Miss Hicks, M.A. Chair: Miss Townsend	6.30 p.m.
" "			3 p.m.
" "	Clapham Common	J. Kennedy, Esq.	11.30 a.m.
" "	Hampstead Heath	Hugh A. Franklin, Esq., Mark Wilks, Esq. Chair: G. L. Harding, Esq.	3.30 p.m.
" "	Hyde Park	Mrs. Drummond, Miss O. Bartels	3 p.m.
" "	Streatham Common	Miss Leonora Tyson, Mrs. Dacre-Fox	3 p.m.
" "	Wimbledon Common	Mrs. Leigh	7.30 p.m.
Monday, 9	Charlton, Co-operative Guild	Mrs. Pethick Lawrence, Miss Christabel Pankhurst, L.L.B., Lady Constance Lytton	3.15 p.m.
" "	London Pavilion, Piccadilly Circus, W.	Members' Meeting	8 p.m.
" "		Sewing Meeting	6 to 9 p.m.
Tuesday, 10	West Croydon, 2, Station Buildings	Working Party	3 to 5 p.m.
" "	Hackney, 97, Upper Clapton Road	Mrs. Robson. Chair: Miss Kinkaid	8 p.m.
" "	Hampstead, 178, Finchley Road	Mother's Meeting. Mrs. Cook	3.15 p.m.
" "	Nottford Place, Edgware Road, W.	Working Party. Hostess: Mrs. Holman	3 to 6 p.m.
" "	Padlington, Holy Cross Parish Room		2.30 p.m.
" "	Streatham, Oakfield House, Barrow Road	Committee Meeting	5.30 p.m.
Wednesday, 11	Wimbledon, 9, Victoria Crescent	Miss Haslam	8 p.m.
" "	Chelsea, 308, King's Road	Miss Agnes Kelly	8 p.m.
" "	Ilford, Hampton Road	Mrs. A. J. Webb	8 p.m.
" "	Islington, Highbury Corner	Miss Bonwick	8 p.m.
" "	Kilburn, 215, High Road		8 p.m.
" "	North Kensington, Messias Avenue		8 p.m.
" "	North Islington, Giesbach Road		8 p.m.
" "	Paddington, 50, Praed Street	Mrs. Drummond, Hon. Mrs. Haverfield	8 p.m.
" "			3 to 6 p.m.
" "	Streatham, 34, Hopton Road	Working Party	7.30 p.m.
" "	Woolwich, Beresford Square	Committee Meeting	7.30 p.m.
Thursday, 12	Crouch End, 28, Weston Park	Women-householders' Meeting	8 p.m.
" "	Islington, 347, Goswell Road	Mr. Laurence Housman, Mrs. Cameron Swan	3 p.m.
" "	Parley, Congregational Hall		
" "	Steinway Hall, Lower Seymour Street, Portman Square	Mrs. Pethick Lawrence, Mrs. Marshall	8 p.m.
" "		Working Party	3 to 6 p.m.
Friday, 13	Streatham, 27, Okeley Park	Hugh Franklin, Esq., Miss Hardy	8 p.m.
" "	Croydon, Katherine Street	Miss A. J. Hicks, M.A.	8 p.m.
" "	Hackney Baths, Mare Street, N.E.		
" "	Harrow Road, Prince of Wales (outside)	Miss Lennox, Miss Haslam	8 p.m.
" "	Hampstead, 178, Finchley Road	Working Party	8 to 10 p.m.
" "	High Barnet, Market Place		8 p.m.
" "	Islington, Tufnell Park	Miss Gargitt	8 p.m.
" "	Streatham, 37, Drowsdale Road	Working Party	3 to 6 p.m.
" "	Woolwich, Beresford Square	Miss Richards	7.30 p.m.

Thursday, November 16, Albert Hall Meeting, 8 p.m.

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#### LEWISHAM.

Hon. Sec.—Mrs. Bourier.  
Office—32, Mount Pleasant Road, Lewisham.  
At Home, Tuesdays, 3 to 5, and Fridays, 2 to 5 p.m.

A large crowd listened to Miss Tyson's eloquent address at Catford tram terminus on Sunday last. The whist-drive on Saturday was most successful, socially as well as financially. Amount will appear later. Thanks to the hostesses, friends and members who contributed musical items; to a male sympathiser to Mrs. Glazier for presenting two of the whist-drive prizes. Will members and friends keep Friday, October 20, free for the general meeting? Full particulars will appear later. More jumbles are needed, and should be sent, carriage paid, to Miss Leigh, 62, Manor Park, Lee, S.E.

#### NORTH ISLINGTON.

Hon. Sec.—Miss Constance Bryer, 29, Tufnell Pk., N.  
The autumn campaign has resulted in several successful open-air meetings, and there are now six pitches instead of four. The drawing-room at Homer's began on November 9, and will take place fortnightly. Miss Evelyn Sharp has promised to speak at the first, and it is hoped that every member will bring friends and acquaintances, and make an effort to get hold of strangers and opponents. It is settled that this Union (with Highgate) should share the Men's Stall with Tunbridge Wells at the Christmas Fair. Will members write to the secretary with suggestions for articles? Grateful thanks to Miss Fedora Gadsby for settling up the Literature account, 15s. 8½d. It is urgently requested that every member of Committee attend the meeting on October 12 (see Programme).

#### RADLETT.

Hon. Sec.—Mrs. White, Grays.  
A large and appreciative gathering attended the Parish Hall at Home on September 23, and were rewarded by the exquisite singing of Lady Sybil Smith and an enthusiastic speech from Mrs. Hicks. Many articles for the Furnishing Stall at the Christmas Fair were exhibited, and members and friends took away work to do. A collection was taken for the Materials Fund. The hon. sec. would be glad to hear from anyone who is able to have work parties at her house, as a good deal of work still remains to be done before Radlett's guaranteed contribution is made up. Gratefully acknowledged: For Expenses: Mrs. Hildale, 2s. 6d.; Mrs. F. H. Dale, 2s. 6d.; Anon., 5s.; Miss Miller, 2s. 6d.; and kind provision of flowers and plants for the platform. For the Materials Fund: Lady Sybil Smith, 21. Special thanks to Miss F. Dale and Mrs. Duane for valuable help in the preliminary arrangements, and to Mrs. Kyle, Mrs. Dexter, Miss Humphrey, Miss Kenning, and Miss Viney for great assistance with the tea.

#### STREATHAM.

Shop and Office—5, Shrubbery Road, Streatham.  
Hon. Sec.—Miss Leonora Tyson.

Owing to the secretary's absence, the members' meeting, which was announced for Tuesday next, has been postponed to the following Tuesday, October 17, at 8 p.m. Mrs. Bartha Brewster is heartily thanked for the commitment of apples she sent to the shop, and which have long since found purchasers. Friends who are moving at Michaelmas are reminded to send up any articles they no longer require for the next Jumble Sale, which will be held in the spring. Gratefully acknowledged: Mrs. Tyson, 2s.; Miss Tyson, 1s.

#### WEST HAM.

Hon. Sec.—Miss D. M. Hooper, 116, Windsor Road.  
The last open-air meeting for September was held at the Grove, Stratford, on Friday evening, when Miss Elsa Myers received an attentive hearing from a large crowd. It is hoped that all members will endeavour to be present at the business meeting on Friday next (see Programme).

#### WIMBLEDON.

Shop and Office—3, Victoria Crescent, Broadway, Wimbledon. Tel. 1092, P.O. Wimbledon.  
Hon. Organising Sec.—Mrs. Lamartine Yates, Dorset Hall, Merion, Surrey.

An excellent autumn series of meetings has been arranged to take place at the Lecture Hall, Lingfield Road, Wimbledon Common, on Wednesdays, at 8 p.m. Mr. Cecil Chapman will give an address on the opening night, October 13, entitled, "The Independence of Women and Home Life." Handbills and posters can be had on application at 3, Victoria Crescent. Members are asked to systematically distribute these, and to enter on the "Distribution Chart" in the office the roads they can definitely undertake each week. Volunteers for stewarding should send in their names at once to Mrs. Lamartine Yates. Paper-sellers will be needed, and should apply to Miss Lee. Jumble parcels are coming in, but many more are wanted this week to enable final arrangements to be made. Members unable to deliver their contributions to Dorset Hall are asked to send a postcard saying when the goods will be ready for collection by van. Men's clothing and children's garments are specially needed. For work parties see Programme. Two sewing machines have kindly been lent by Mrs. Goodchild and Mrs. Nuttall. More workers are wanted who can undertake fine work. Mrs. Jones is thanked for her gifts of hand-painted goods, and Miss Short for her beautiful work. The hon. treasurer will be glad to receive all subscriptions in arrears. Shop stewards for Saturdays needed. The

audience on the Common listened attentively to Miss Davison, and the resolution protesting against the imprisonment of Miss Clemence Housman, and calling upon the Home Secretary to immediately release her, was carried unanimously. Mrs. Bacon proved an able chairman. At Saturday evening's Broadway meeting the audience was as large and as sympathetic as ever. Miss Gwen Richard made a splendid speech, and the resolution was again carried without a single dissent. Mrs. Huggett was in the chair. Papers sold well. Thanks to the help of Mrs. Deere-Fox, Miss H. E. Allen, and Mrs. Huggett, these meetings will be held up to Christmas.

#### Home Counties.

##### BEDFORD.

Hon. Sec.—Miss Smeit, 23, Goldington Avenue.  
The annual meeting was held in the Working Men's Institute last Friday. Mrs. Brooks-Thorne, Mrs. Brasher, Miss Reid, and Mrs. Harrison were elected members of committee in place of Miss Billinghurst, Miss K. Colls, Mrs. Dally, and Miss Cook, resigned.

##### BOURNEMOUTH.

Office—221, Old Christchurch Road.  
Hon. Sec.—Miss N. Blackledge.  
Will members make it known that Mrs. Drummond has consented to speak in St. Peter's Hall, on October 22? Preliminary notices are ready and can be had at the office. Gratefully acknowledged for rent of office: Mrs. Hume, 10s.; Miss Fiddlen, 5s.; Mrs. Sanderson, 5s.; Mrs. Whipp, 5s.; Mrs. Lyman, 10s.; Miss House, 2s. 6d.; Miss Morgan Jones, 5s.; Miss Symon, 2s. 6d.; Mrs. Bulan, 5s.; Mrs. Shaw, 5s.; Miss Berry, 5s.; Mrs. Blackledge, 5s.; Mrs. Gohlke, 5s.

##### BRIGHTON, HOVE AND DISTRICT.

Office—1, North Street, Quadrant. Tel. 4883 Nat.  
Organiser—Miss G. Allen.  
Members who have returned from their holidays are asked to report themselves and give in their names for special work. If they will call at the office on Wednesdays or Thursdays after the meetings, they will find tea ready, and the Fête Secretary will be glad of suggestions or help for the Brighton stall. They are reminded that the special columns devoted to the Fair and Fête should be carefully read each week for local as well as general information. More paper-sellers are wanted at the meetings and on Saturday mornings.

##### CANTERBURY AND SOUTH KENT.

Organiser—Miss F. E. M. Macaulay, Trevarra, 30, Boulevard Road West, Folkestone.  
Now that the Canterbury meeting is over, members and friends are asked to concentrate all their energy on making the Canterbury and South Kent Stall (soap, scent and handkerchiefs) a great success. A business meeting will be held by kind permission of Miss Key next Wednesday afternoon (see below) to discuss details, and Miss Worsfold earnestly begs all who are interested (non-members as well as members) to attend. For further particulars and for details of the competition, see Christmas Fair and Fête. It is hoped that meetings for work will shortly be arranged in Canterbury. Information can be had from the Canterbury Bazaar Secretary, Miss Burch, St. Sepulchre's, Canterbury. Wednesday, Oct. 11.—Folkestone, Trevarra, 30, Boulevard Road West, Business meeting. Hostess: Miss Key, 3.30 p.m.

##### CHORLEY WOOD (HERTS).

Hon. Sec.—Mrs. H. M. Offer, "Home Cot."  
Gratefully acknowledged towards general expenses: Mrs. T., 10s. 6d. Will members please make a definite promise to contribute at least one article of a minimum value of 5s. to the Hertfordshire Stall at the Christmas Fête and Fair? Several promises have already been received.

##### EAST GRINSTEAD.

Hon. Sec.—Miss A. L. Durham, Landhurst Cottage, Hartfield, Sussex.  
Muriel Countess De la Warr has kindly consented to take the chair at the East Grinstead meeting to-day (Friday) instead of Mr. Cobham, as formerly announced. Members have been most active in coming forward to help. Special thanks to Miss Sibella Jones, of Basbourne, who has kindly given a whole fortnight of her time to help with canvassing; to Miss Helen MacRae from Edebridge, who spent some days here in the same way; and to Mrs. Brook Allwork for the kind use of her room. Prospects are very encouraging.

**HITCHIN, LETCHWORTH, & DISTRICT.**  
Hon. Secs.—Mrs. M. Price, "Hilawatha," Icknield Way, Letchworth; Mrs. E. B. Impey, 2, Whitbush Road, Hitchin.

The secretary would be glad if members in Hertfordshire not attached to any local union would communicate with her. A committee meeting of representatives of all Hertfordshire unions will be held next week. Branch work parties are now in full swing. Gratefully acknowledged: Mrs. G. Bernard Shaw 23s. towards expenses.

##### PORTSMOUTH AND SOUTHAMPTON.

Organiser—Miss C. A. L. Marsh, 4, Pelham Road, Portsmouth, and 61, Oxford Street, Southampton.  
It has now been decided that this centre shall make special efforts to raise money locally, and not join in the Christmas Fair in December. The help of all members is urgently needed, and suggestions will be welcome. Jumble Sales will be held on Saturday, November 4. Whist drives will also be arranged. Through the kindness of Mrs. Bevan, a meeting to discuss the Conciliation Bill will be held on Tuesday next (see next column). All members are cordially invited. Drawing-room meetings will be held in Portsmouth



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Friday, Oct. 6.—Portsmouth, Town Hall Square, 7.15 p.m.  
Monday, Oct. 9.—Portsea Parish Institute, Paper-selling; Speaker, G. Lansbury, Esq., M.P., 7.30 p.m.  
Tuesday, Oct. 10.—Portsmouth, 4, St. Ronan's Road. Hostess: Mrs. Bevan, 5.30 p.m.  
Wednesday, Oct. 11.—Southampton, Clock Tower, 7.30 p.m.  
Friday, Oct. 13.—Portsmouth, Town Hall Square, 7.15 p.m.

**READING AND NEWBURY.**  
Shop and Office—23, Market Place.  
Hon. Sec. (pro tem)—Miss O. L. Cobb.  
Some blouse lengths for the stall have been received, but many more are wanted. Ready-made blouses will also be most acceptable. Will members good at cutting-out, machining, button-hole making, etc., kindly offer help? One member has collected on her holiday Swiss carving, Thun and Zell crockery and Italian mosaics. These are to be sold to buy materials for the stall and are now on show at the shop. Come at once! The stock is very pretty.

#### REDHILL.

Hon. Sec.—Mrs. Cather, The Red Cottage, Cayendish Road.  
The first work meeting was held at the Carlton Room on Wednesday, September 27. These meetings will be held in future at 8 o'clock. Gratefully acknowledged for Sweet Stall: Miss Wilson, 10s.; C. Pantlin, Esq., 10s.  
Wednesday, Oct. 11.—Carlton Room, women only Mrs. Cather, 3 p.m.

#### WEST AND NORTH KENT

Organiser—Miss Evelyn Billing.  
Office: The Pump Room, Tunbridge Wells.  
Tickets are now on sale at the office, and at Mr. Pelton's (Broadway and the Pantiles), for the public meeting in the Great Hall, Tunbridge Wells, on Tuesday, October 24, at 8 p.m. Speakers: Miss Vida Goldstein, Miss Naylor; chair, Miss Ethel Wedgwood. Tickets, 2s. (numbered and reserved), 1s. and 6d. The organiser still appeals for many more volunteers to sell tickets, distribute handbills, and to mind the office (10.30 to 1, or 5 to 7). Tea will be provided for members or inquirers at the office on Mondays at 4.30; charge, 4d. per head. Christmas Fête work is already in hand, but more workers are needed, and donations asked for. Gratefully acknowledged (Tunbridge Wells for Fête fund): Mrs. Schweder, 10s.; Mrs. Harverson, 21 1s. Also (Gillingham), Miss Rogers, 2s.; Miss Palmer, 2s.; Mrs. Ramsby, 2s.  
Saturday, Oct. 7.—Little Mount Zion, Miss Evelyn Billing, 11.30 a.m., Five Ways, Miss Evelyn Billing, 7.30 p.m.

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It is hoped that there will be a good attendance at the class to-night when the subject will be "The Latchkey Decision with regard to the Conciliation Bill." Next Friday the subject will be "The Danger of Women's Amendments," and the week after "Adult Suffrage." Will all members carefully prepare these subjects beforehand in order that really good speeches may be made at the classes? Miss Lee's Private Classes will take place every Saturday at 4 p.m., and every Tuesday at 7.45 p.m., at 41, Norfolk Square W., by kind permission of Mrs. Ayrton and all communications concerning these private lessons should be addressed to Miss Lee at above address and a stamped and addressed envelope enclosed for a reply. All correspondence concerning the Public Classes should be addressed to Miss Hale.

## RULES.

1. Members of the W.S.P.U. only are eligible.
2. The Class is held at 4, Clements Inn, Room 72, every Friday, at 7.45 p.m. sharp.
3. Entrance fee, 3d. weekly, proceeds to be used for the purchase of educational literature.
4. The Library books are only to be kept one week, and must be returned or sent by post before the next class.
5. Members are limited to ten classes, and it must be clearly understood that no one shall be admitted to these classes except intending speakers.

## CLERKS' W.S.P.U.

Hon. Secs.—Miss Phyllis Ayrton, 62, Edith Road, West Kensington. Miss Cynthia Maguire, 15, Carlton Vale, Maida Vale, N.W.

Don't forget the Jumble Sale. Parcels may be sent at any time to Miss Maguire, at above address. Members are asked to make a special effort this month to keep the Liverpool Street and Ludgate Hill pitches well supplied with sellers, and offers of help will be gratefully welcomed. Donations towards hire of halls for meetings are invited.

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Hon. Organising Sec.—Victor D. Duval.

Last Sunday the weekly Hyde Park meeting was turned into a protest against the House of Commons' amendment, and a combined demonstration of two platforms was held with the Women's Tax Resistance League. The resolution of protest was carried with but one male dissent at the M.P.U. meeting, where Mr. Duval, Mr. Franklin, and Mr. Thornton-Jones spoke. For Christmas Fête and Fair details see elsewhere. There are still a few box tickets left for the Albert Hall meeting. They can be obtained at 2s. 6d. each. Application to be made of the Ticket Secretary through a member of the M.P.U. It is to be hoped that members will make full use of the library placed at their disposal, and they are invited to call or write for particulars of these books, mostly published between 1870 and 1910, on sociology and economics.

Speakers' Class.—It is hoped that a course of these classes will be again held during the autumn, but naturally there must be sufficient members who are willing to attend. Communications should be made to the secretary as soon as possible, to enable arrangements to be completed.

Saturday's Procession.—All members of the M.P.U. who can possibly help are asked to write at once to the M.P.U. office (see page 5).

Treasurer's Note.—Members and friends are once again reminded of the Autumn Campaign, and the funds required to carry it on; it is hoped that one and all will appreciate the fact that campaigns cannot be carried on without funds.

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The open-air meetings were brought to a close by a very successful meeting in Phoenix Park, when a large crowd listened to Mrs. Sheehy Skeffington, M.A., and Mrs. Cousins, Mrs. Bac. A vote was taken at the close of the meeting when a large majority showed themselves in favour of the movement. The weekly indoor meetings have begun, and workers and members are earnestly requested to attend regularly so as to keep in touch with all proposed work. Attention is specially drawn to two most important fixtures—the meeting to be held in the Round Room of the Mansion House, Dublin, on Tuesday, October 17, and in Galway Town Hall, on October 18, at both of which Miss Christabel Pankhurst will speak. Tickets for the Dublin meeting, 2s. 6d. and 1s., are on sale at Cramer's, Pigott's, and the League offices. Volunteers for bill-distributing, ticket-selling and chalking, are desired to call at the offices, or send in their names to the hon. sec. Any Suffragists living in or near Galway are specially desired to communicate with the hon. sec. so as to help with the Galway meeting. Candidates for the North Tyrone election both declare themselves in favour of Woman Suffrage.

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A most successful Members' At Home was held last Friday, when Miss Adeline Bourne's charming speech was much appreciated by her audience. The first public meeting of the season will be held at the Criterion Restaurant-to-day, Friday, at 3 p.m., when Miss Muriel Matters, the Rev. the Hon. James Adairley, and Gerald Cunningham Esq. will be the speakers. Mrs. Ben Webster will take the chair; Miss Edyth Olive has promised to recite, and Miss Gertrude Inglis, P.R.A.M., will sing "The Awakening." Madame Liza Lehmann will be the hostess.

## THE CHURCH LEAGUE FOR WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE.

President—The Bishop of Lincoln.

Office—11, St. Mark's Crescent, Regent's Park, N.W.

October 10, the day on which the State of California will ballot on the question whether women may be allowed to vote, will be observed as a day of special prayer by members.

Oct. 5.—Hanley, Staffs. Temperance Hall, High Street, Hart of Lytton, Bishop of Lincoln, Dr. L. Pitts Fairfield, Rev. C. H. Hensell, Major Cecil Wedgewood, D.S.O. (Mayor of Stoke), chairman, 8 p.m.

Oct. 7.—Woking, Miss Wright and Miss Tyrrell's At Home, "St. Katharine's," Hook Heath, Dr. L. Pitts Fairfield, Rev. A. M. N. Simms (Gray-shott), Rev. C. Hensell.

Oct. 11.—Chelmsford, Rev. Canon Lake, Rev. C. Hensell, 4 p.m.; Greenwich, Borough Hall, Miss A. M. Royden, Miss Evelyn Close, Ven. Archdeacon Bisset, chairman, 8 p.m.

Oct. 12.—Dunmow, Essex, Rev. C. Hensell.

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The office work is in full swing, and members and friends will be gladly welcomed during office hours. Arrangements have been made to recommence the weekly At Homes early in the month, and it is hoped members will make a point of attending and of bringing others. Miss Helen Ogston, B.Sc., and Miss Rose Lightman addressed a very successful meeting at Durham last week. Members and friends are reminded of the Christmas Sale to be held during December, in the office. Will everyone do what they can to help with the Jumble Sale, shortly to take place? Will all who can contribute, please send cast-off wearing apparel and household goods to the office? Parcels should be marked "Jumble Sale," and have the name and address of the sender on the outside. Anyone willing to help with the Sale, should communicate with the secretary. The country campaign begins again next week. It is hoped all sympathisers living in the neighbourhood of Sherborne, Blandford and Shaftesbury, will write to Miss Katharine Barry Frye, the Plas, Bourne End, Bucks, and give offers of help. Drawing-rooms for meetings will be especially appreciated. Money is badly needed for the work, and all who have not already contributed to the £100 Fund are invited to do so.

## CYMRIC SUFFRAGE UNION.

President—Mrs. D. A. Thomas.

Hon. Sec.—Mrs. M. E. Davies, 87, Racton Road, Fulham, London, S.W.

A committee meeting was held, on September 25, at 69, Wimpole Street, by kind invitation of Mrs. Mansell Moulin, to discuss plans for the winter campaign. It was decided that members should give out Welsh handbills at concerts and lectures held in Welsh chapels. This is to start this week. Please volunteer. It will be advantageous to members of Suffrage societies to come to sell their publications. The thanks of this union are due to Rev. Ivan Davies, Penrhos Llandrillo, who has worked so strenuously in getting a Resolution in favour of the Conciliation Bill unanimously passed by the Melrose Congregational Union. This resolution has been sent to Mr. Asquith urging him to give proper facilities during next session. The Rev. Ivan Davies has translated Mr. Brailsford's and Mr. Snowden's pamphlets on the Conciliation Bill and Mrs. Fethick Lawrence's two articles ("Does a Man Support His Wife?" and "Who Supports the Children?") of which 5,000 copies have been printed. Thanks to Mr. Davies all these have appeared in six Welsh newspapers in North Wales. Copies of the Conciliation Bill leaflets can be obtained from the secretary.

## FREE CHURCH LEAGUE FOR WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

Hon. Organising Sec. (pro. tem.)—Mr. and Mrs. Rogers, 4, Chalmers Park, Highgate, N.

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More distributors of handbills are wanted for the meeting at Caxton Hall on Friday, October 13, at 8 p.m. Kindly apply to hon. secretaries. The speakers will be Lady Spicer, Rev. O. Fleming Williams, and Miss Winifred Gals, D.S.O. On Monday, October 16, members' business meeting at 7.15. There will be an open debate at the Highgate Congregational Church, Openers: J. Malcolm, Atchell, Esq.; Chairman: Rev. D. Macfadyen, M.A., at 8 p.m. Miss Christabel Pankhurst and the Rev. Rhonda Williams, will address a meeting at the Victoria Hotel, Nottingham, on Tuesday, October 10, at 3 p.m.

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